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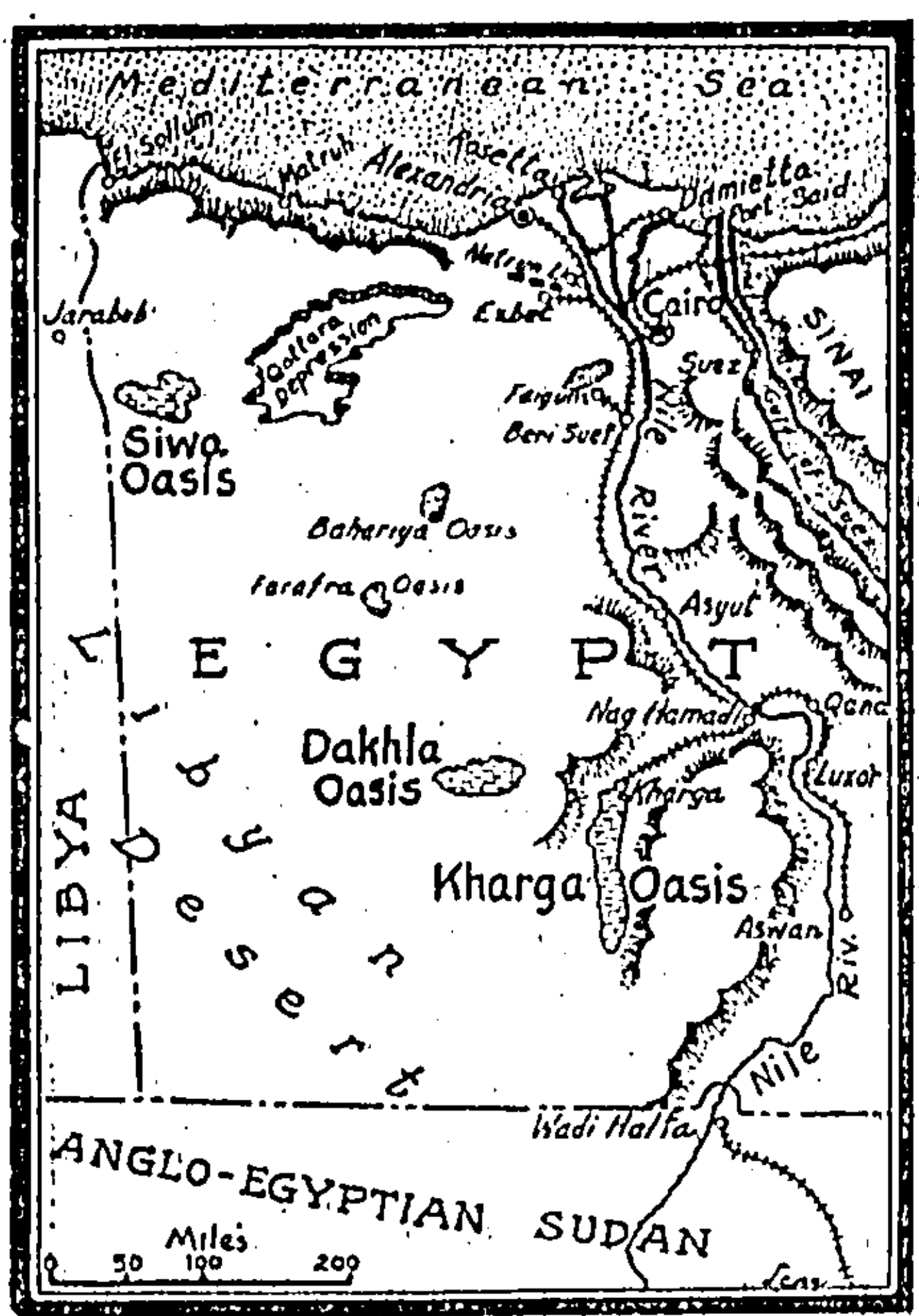
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# BRITISH FORCES ADVANCING ACROSS EGYPTIAN DESERT

## Simultaneous Air And Land Blitzkrieg



By PAUL TAYLOR  
UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT

CAIRO, DEC. 9 (UP).—THE BRITISH BLITZKREIG AGAINST THE ITALIANS ALONG THE BROAD WESTERN EGYPTIAN FRONT HAS CARRIED MECHANISED UNITS EIGHT MILES ACROSS THE DESERT "NO MAN'S LAND" IN THE FIRST RUSH, AND HAS RESULTED IN THE CAPTURE OF OVER 1,000 PRISONERS.

Official statements show the British used Royal Air Force bombers, which heaped bombs on Bardia and Sidi Barrani, where they harassed the Italian troops all day to-day, and caused heavy damage to transport and enemy personnel. Two Italian fighting planes were brought down.

It will be recalled that General Graziani's drive on Alexandria was stalled for over three months at Sidi Barrani after a 75 mile penetration from Libya.

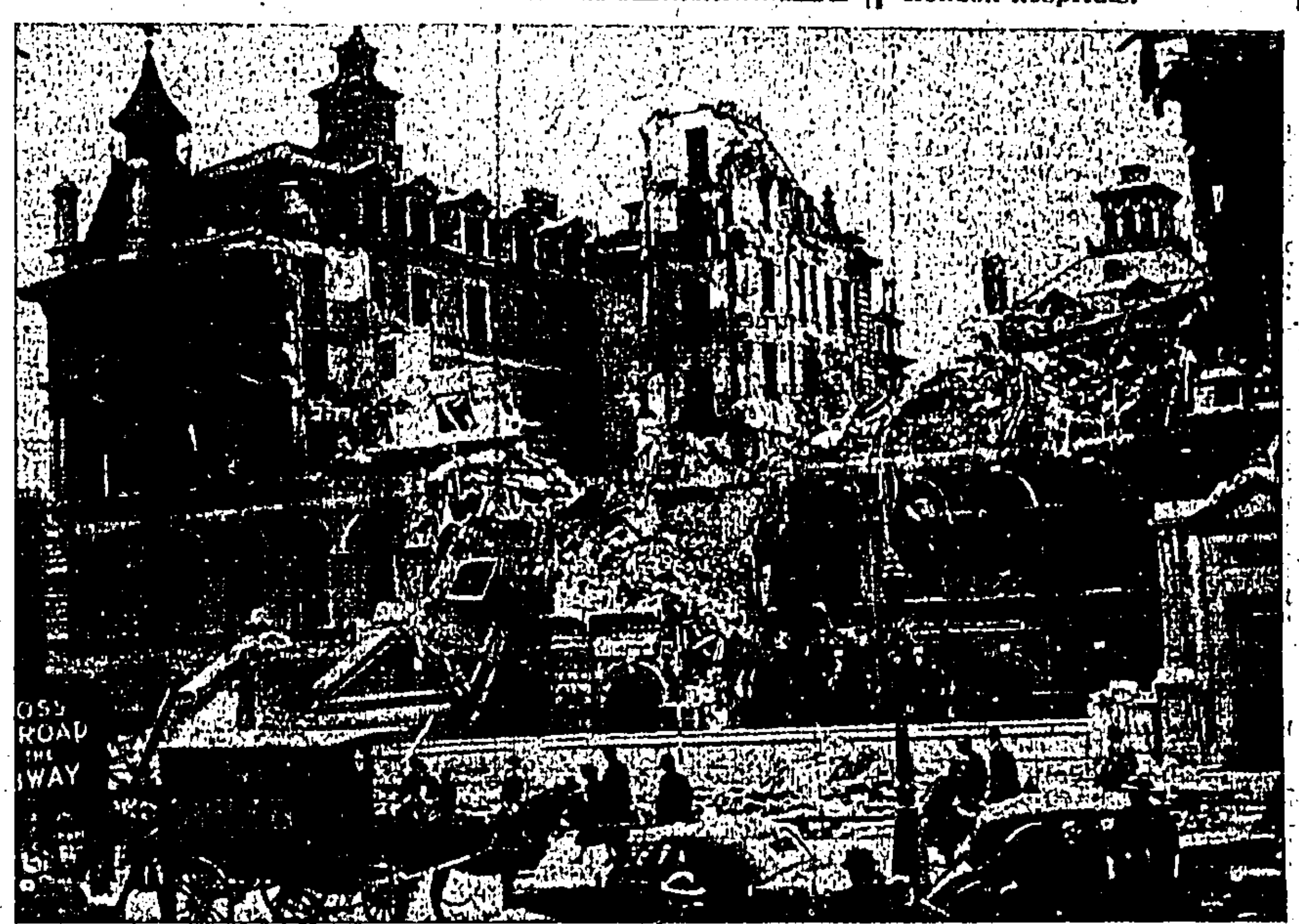
**ENTIRE RIGHT WING THREATENED**

The entire Italian right wing operating along the coast road towards Marsa Matruh is threatened by the British, according to unofficial reports.

The British forces attacked the Italian base of Mahya south of Sidi Barrani at dawn after very secret preparations. They mopped up the post within two hours.

Royal Air Force bombers dropped over 20 tons of bombs on Benina where the whole aerodrome appeared to be ablaze.

The first 500 Italian prisoners were taken in the coastal area of Sidi Barrani and the others as the British drove from Alexandria towards Sollum which the British evacuated some time ago.



**NAZI IDEA OF "KULTUR"**

Here is a particularly illuminating example of the Nazis' idea of Kultur. The picture shows St. Thomas's Hospital in London after it had been hit by bombs. The hospital was badly damaged and there were casualties. On Sunday night and Monday morning the Nazi raiders repeated this sort of thing on nine other London hospitals.

## U. S. NEEDS FAR EAST BASE

*Naval Strategists' Views*  
Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (UP).—Naval strategists here to-day said that the United States Fleet is in urgent need of a base in the Far East if the United States naval policy is to remain abreast of the foreign policy in the Pacific.

## Indo-China Warns Thailand Will Meet Force With Force

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HANOI, Dec. 9 (Domei).—“Now that things have come to this pass French Indo-China will be obliged to answer the use of force by Thailand with force,” M. Silvestre de Sacy, chief of publicity of the French Indo-China Government, declared to-day.

“We have answered the Thai bombardment of Vientiane with the bombardment of Lakhon,” M. de Sacy said. “This does not mean, however, that the diplomatic relations with Thailand have been broken off, nor does it mean abandonment of intentions to carry on negotiations, French Indo-China is fully prepared to bring about peace.”

While it has been officially denied that the Asiatic Fleet is being enlarged, or that any major fleet moves are contemplated, it is no secret that the fleet supply train is being rapidly increased, and that the Philippine Army forces are being strengthened.

**Sobering Effect**

Naval experts contend that the establishment of a firm American naval power in the South Pacific will have a sobering effect on Japan. The Japanese Foreign Minister's suggestion that differences between Japan and America could be settled if both sides minded their own business has aroused a favourable reaction here, but the Foreign Minister's general approach is not considered conciliatory.

**Relations Not Enhanced**

Some State Department sources privately express the opinion that the improvement of relations between Japan and America had not been enhanced, and observers believe there is little chance of a Japanese withdrawal from China, or any other modifying of Japan's China policy, which is the fundamental issue with the United States.

Some quarters here are impressed by Mr. Matsuoka's disavowal of Japan's territorial ambitions.

## New Nazi Threat To Britain Envisaged

By FREDERICK KUH  
UNITED PRESS STAFF CORRESPONDENT

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—Diplomatic and military opinion here is veering to the belief in the prospect of a new direct German assault against Britain as a result of the Italian setback in Albania.

With the Axis chances lessened in both the Eastern and Western Mediterranean, it is indicated that Germany will intensify her attacks on the British Isles, and pursue the powerful nightly raids concentrated on single towns, especially industrial centres and ports.

**British Retaliation**

Britain in turn is expected to enlarge her operations against Italy and to strike hard at whatever evils the Italian reverses have entailed to the Axis—which incidentally are believed to yield Germany the advantage of making Rome more dependent on Berlin.

Hitler is anxious to merge France in the Germanic European order, but Italy's extensive claims to French possessions are delaying, if not thwarting, France's active collaboration with the Axis.

**Large Scale Operations, SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

LONDON, Dec. 10 (UP).—British troops have taken the offensive in the Western Desert, according to very reliable sources in London.

The operation is described as being on a "rather large scale."

**500 Italians Captured:**

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (Reuters).—A bag of 500 Italian prisoners was secured by the British in operations in the Western Desert. The prisoners were taken in an engagement south of Sidi Barrani.

A communiqué states that advance elements of the British forces are now in contact with the Italians on "a broad front."

In the Sudan, British patrols have continued extensive activities in the Gallabat area, and British artillery has successfully engaged enemy targets.

**Aerodrome Attacked**

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (Reuters).—R.A.F. bombers attacked the Benina aerodrome in the Western Desert on the night of December 8. One hangar was completely burned out, and three other fires were started, according to the R.A.F. Egyptian headquarters.

Incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped from aircraft, while one was set on fire.

The Rhodesian Squadron bombed Adardeb in Italian East Africa, achieving a direct hit on a machine gun post. Several fires were started, and bombs fell among stores, dumps and a second machine gun post was silenced by machine gun fire from the R.A.F. aircraft.

Asmara was attacked on December 8.

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## Greek Advance Paving Way for Battle of Valona

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

ATHENS, Dec. 9 (UP).—Reliable circles say the Greek army is advancing up the coast and has reached a point estimated to be half way between Sante Quaranti and Himara which are 35 miles apart.

## Italy Must Lose The Dodecanese

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ANKARA, Dec. 9 (UP).—Well informed Turkish circles predict that Italy will be forced to surrender the Dodecanese Islands within two or three months.

They said that neither Italian nor neutral ships are reaching the Italian garrison there, which is estimated to be over 20,000 men, plus many civilians.

Political circles welcomed reports from Sofia that Bulgaria wishes to remain out of the war and is more than willing to meet Turkey half way in order to improve relations.

## MORE L. S. D. FOR BOMBERS

A further cheque for \$10,033.40, being the equivalent of £1,000, was handed to the Hongkong Government this morning for telegraphic transfer to the British Government.

This makes the fifteenth instalment sent to London from the War Fund inaugurated by the South China Morning Post and The Hongkong Telegraph for the purchase of bombers.

At 4 p.m. yesterday, the Fund had reached the total of \$1,431,423.23, the Sterling total now remitted to London amounting to £22,389-19-6. It is hoped to reach the one-and-a-half million mark by Christmas.

## Shanghai Rice Control

**Prices To Be Fixed**

CHUNGKING, Dec. 9 (Central News).—A decision to purchase 100,000 bags of foreign rice before the end of this month to relieve the current acute shortage in Shanghai was reached to-day at a joint meeting of the officials of the International Settlement and French Concession.

The plan calls for a gradual reduction in prices.

At the meeting, the price of first grade Saigon rice was fixed at \$27 per picul. On the same day of last year, the authorities of the two foreign-administered areas in Shanghai fixed the price of first grade native rice at \$40 per picul. The price has since gone up more than 100 per cent.

Mr. D. R. Holmes reported to the Police yesterday that military clothing and other articles had been stolen from his car between 9.30 a.m. and 1 p.m. The car was parked outside the Fire Station.

The Government spokesman stated that as a result of the victory in the Drinos valley, resulting in the capture of Argyro-Castron, the entire left wing of the Italian army has been forced to retreat northward from Argyro-Castron as well as from Sante Quaranti.

He said that still further to the north, the Italians were forced to abandon positions of great strategic importance.

**Further Advances**

ATHENS, Dec. 9 (UP).—"Fighting continues successfully to-day and has been marked by further advances," stated a Greek War Office communiqué to-day.

**New Italian Defence Lines**

ROME, Dec. 9 (UP).—Italian semi-militarised workers and soldiers are digging new defence lines north of Argyro-Castron, following Italian withdrawal from the city yesterday.

Despatches from Tirana state that the Greeks are massing every spare regiment at Argyro-Castron to smash through to Valona.

At the same time, Greek columns, supported by British aviation, are TURN TO BACK PAGE, COLUMN 3

## Gasolene Tank Blows Up, Causes Big Fire

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

BUCHAREST, Dec. 9 (UP).—A heavy explosion in a giant oil tank containing high powered aviation gasoline, belonging to the Standard Oil Company's Rumanian subsidiary company, shook Bessarabia to-day.

The explosion started a fire which raged for hours before it was brought under control.

It has been learned from official sources that the gasoline in-

## BADOGGIO & BALBO

ROME, Dec. 9 (Reuters).—Marshal Badoglio paid Mussolini a farewell visit to-day and they had a cordial talk, according to an Italian official news agency.

Mussolini has posthumously awarded a gold medal of military valour to Air Marshal Balbo.

In the announcement, Marshal Balbo is referred to as "a faithful soldier of the Duce" who made "the supreme sacrifice of his heroic life while preparing to hurl gallant troops and powerful air squadrons across the Atlantic."

## Typhoons Play Havoc With Clipper Service

Typhoons in the Manila and Guam areas have temporarily dislocated the Pan-American Airways Clipper service, it was officially revealed in Hongkong this morning.

The local office of Pan-American Airways is anxiously awaiting word from their Guam Island base as to the intensity, and possible damage caused by a severe typhoon which was due to pass directly over the island during the early part of last night.

This will be the second of a series of severe typhoons to strike Guam, and is greatly hampering the operation of the trans-Pacific schedule, with the California Clipper delayed at Wake Island.

In addition to this typhoon, the recent cyclone in the Manila area has caused Pan-American Airways to be completely out of touch with one of their radio stations located on a remote island which was directly in the path of the typhoon.

The California Clipper, which was scheduled to arrive in Hongkong on Thursday, cannot possibly arrive before Friday, or even later, depending upon the course of the cyclone in the Guam area.

**LATEST**

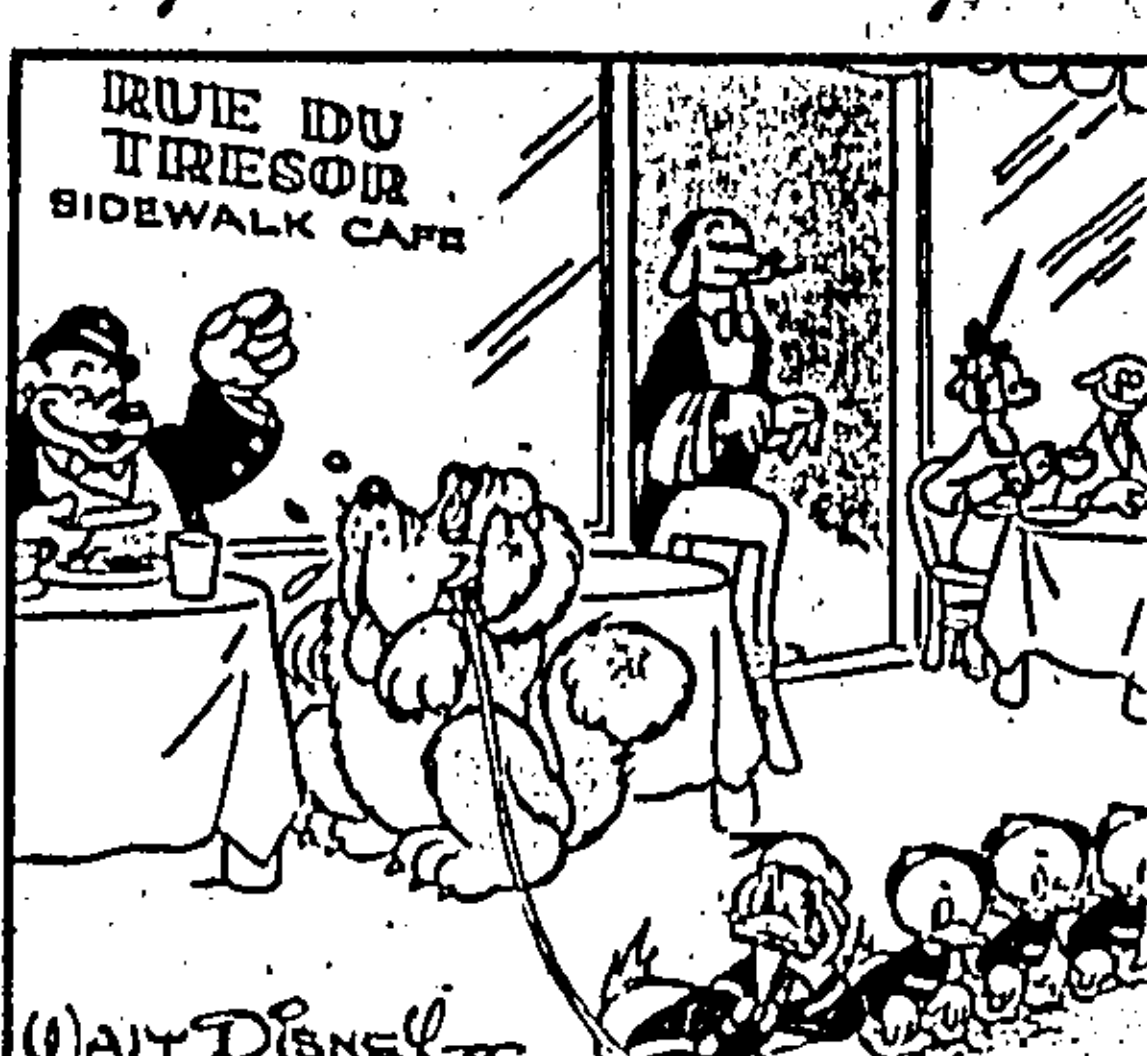
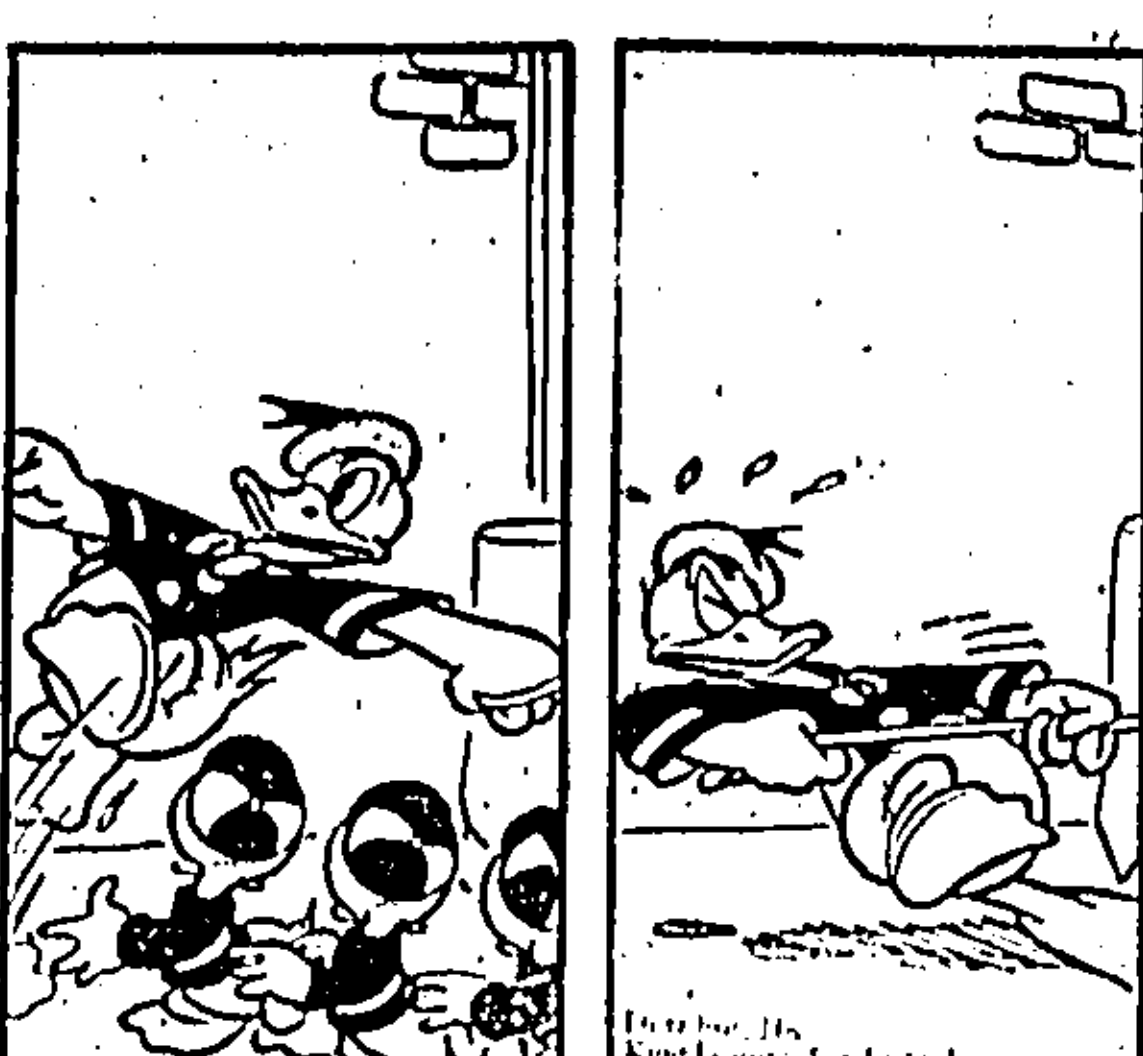
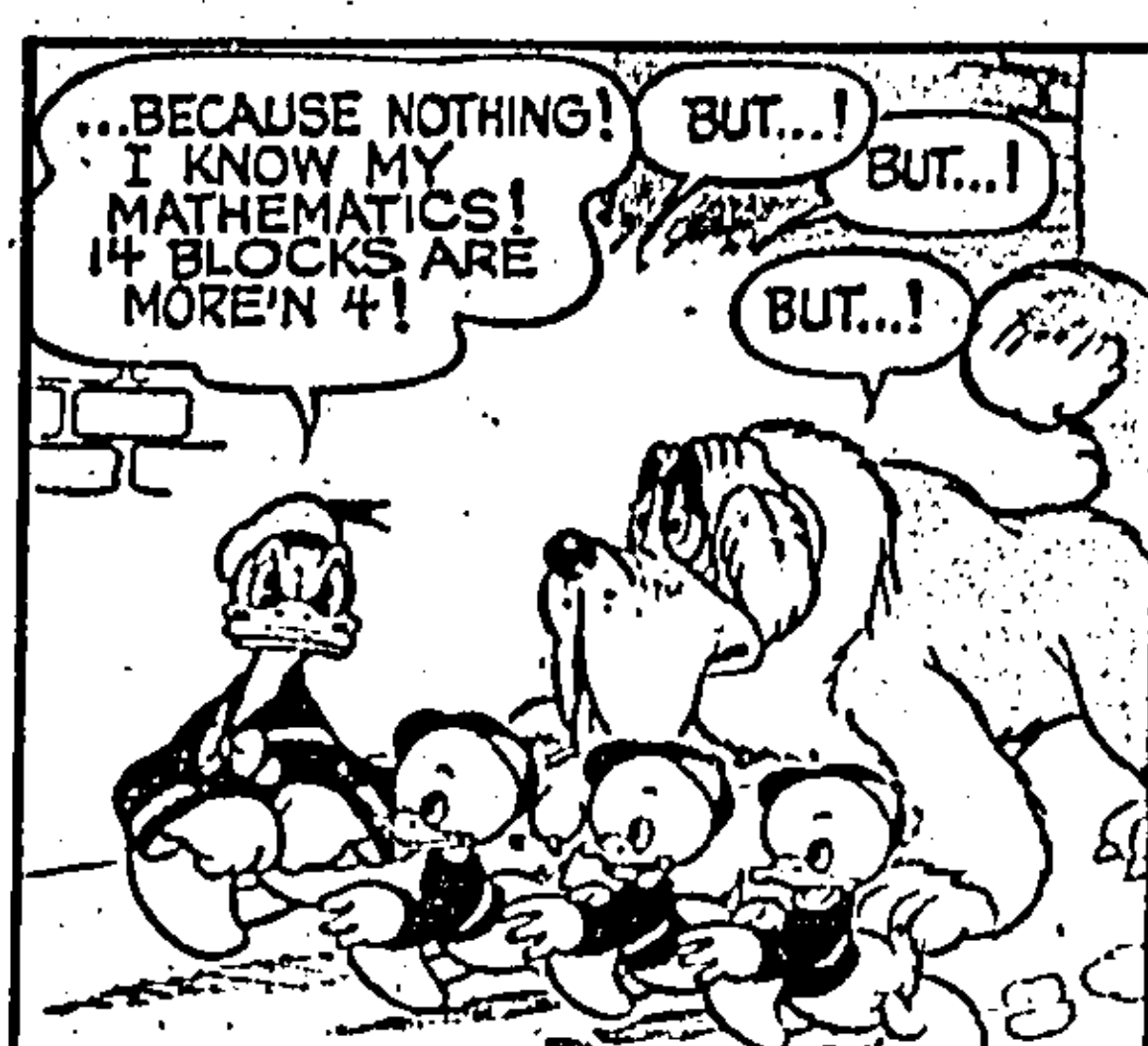
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## RESUME

Two rich London bachelors, Mr. Darcy and Mr. Bingley, arrive with the latter's sister to take up residence at the Netherfield Park Estate in Meryton Village. Since marriage is a girl's only career in the 1800's, Mrs. Bennet, mother of five marriageable daughters—Elizabeth, Jane, Mary, Lydia and Kitty—is in a turmoil of excitement. Despite Mr. Bennet's protest, she campaigns vigorously to win the bachelors for witty Elizabeth and beautiful Jane. Jane and Bingley fall in love at first sight; but Darcy's arrogant pride prejudices Elizabeth against him. She is further incensed when he deliberately snubs Mr. Wickham, friend of her sister Lydia. Miss Bingley invites Jane to visit her.

## Chapter Two

## TARGET PRACTICE

The great and fateful day when Jane was to visit Miss Bingley at Netherfield Park, dawned gray, cold and weighted with rain clouds. The weather afforded Mrs. Bennet a brilliant idea.

"Jane shall ride over on horseback. Then, if it rains, she won't be able to come home after dinner. They'll have to keep her for the night—and there's really nothing like wet weather for engagements!"

So, on horseback went Jane; not only did she remain for the night, she stayed for the week. Her exposure to the rain resulted in a cold that confined her to bed at Netherfield Park. And, if streaming eyes, red nose, sneezes and wheezes are not the things of which romance is made, Charles Bingley seemed totally unaware of it.

Ted nose or no, he was enchanted with her, visiting the sick room at every opportunity. His delight was as nothing compared to Mrs. Bennet's.

"Mr. Bennet!" she cried to her husband as she poured their breakfast coffee. "I've just received a note from Mr. Bingley. He asks permission to give a garden party and ball for Jane just as soon as she's well." She sighed. "Such a happy idea of mine to send her off in the rain!"

Mr. Bennet emerged from behind his copy of the Times. "But to Jane must go all the credit for having caught the cold, my dear," he observed sarcastically.

Certainly, Bingley hoped Jane's visit would go on forever. But Mrs. Bennet, a general marshalling forces for victory, recalled Jane for the one reason that would heighten his jealousy, lighten his ardour and goad him into a declaration.

She placed a rival in his path—Cousin Collins, the clergyman to whom the Bennet estate was entailed, arrived for a visit. Elizabeth was dispatched to fetch Jane under the pretext that her sister must meet the male and marriageable relative who was the Bennet house guest.

Poor Mr. Bingley reacted to the news in the manner hoped for. While he did not quite declare himself, his attentions to and concern for Jane reached a peak that infuriated his sister and sent Darcy's eyebrows on the rise.

Cousin Collins proved to be a scolding, bowing, obnoxious, self-important bore. At first meeting,

## PRIDE AND PREJUDICE

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GERTRUDE GELBIN

he set his heart on Elizabeth. Mrs. Bennet, determined that one of her daughters should marry him in order to keep the estate within the family, was in a fever of joy—until Elizabeth declared with finality that if she died unmarried, she'd never be Mrs. Collins.

Charlotte Lucas, her dearest friend, came to her rescue. Mr. Collins, finding himself the object of Charlotte's concern, promptly forgot Elizabeth. Charlotte was lovely, he decided; a bit old—on the late twentieth side—practically a spinster—but a lovely girl.

Mrs. Bennet drowned this defeat in the glow of Bingley's continued attentions to Jane—atentions climaxed by the garden party honouring her complete recovery.

It was a splendid party! Mrs. Bennet could have hoped for nothing finer! Mr. Bingley had eyes for no one except Jane!

It proved once and for all, that she was right in her campaign. Would Jane be basking in the glow of Bingley's admiration if Mrs. Bennet had listened to her wise counsel? In the future, that worthy, riding behind a mass of unintelligible tomes and treatises, had better leave such matters to her!

So great was her delight in Bingley and Jane that she closed her eyes to the mad caperings of Kitty and Lydia who flirted outrageously with uniformed officers; that she lost sight of pedantic Mary's woeful shortcomings as a beauty; that she even forgot to scold Elizabeth for being as coolly aloof as her father.

None of the day's drama was lost on Elizabeth. She sought refuge from her mother's ecstasy, from Mary's stupidity, from Lydia's and Kitty's boisterousness, on the archery field. As she made her way to the stand of bows and arrows, Darcy greeted her.

"Would you like a little target practice?" he asked pleasantly.

"Yes," she replied, somewhat taken aback by his friendly manner. "Are you a good shot with the bow, Mr. Darcy?"

"Only tolerable," she questioned mischievously.

"Well," he expanded, "it's a fine old sport and one in which even a young lady can become proficient."

"So I've heard," she said gravely. "At short range, of course," he added. "And with a light bow."

He fitted an arrow and took aim.

"What a bad shot!" he said in annoyance as the arrow missed the target and landed in the side of the knoll beyond. He handed her the bow. Would you like to try it?

She nodded, an impish smile, lightly her foot.

"Place the bow in the left hand," he instructed sententially. "And the arrow goes like this—and these two fingers so. Now—left arm straight. Stand sideways and aim at the bull's eye." He paused, taking in the picture of her as she

strained to follow his instructions. "That's right," he approved. "Now shoot."

Elizabeth let go the arrow. It landed in the very heart of the target.

"A Bull's Eye!" he cried.

Without pausing, Elizabeth picked up a second arrow and shot it to split the first one.

Darcy stared incredulously from her to the target, then laughed with delight.

"Next time I talk to a young lady about archery, I won't be so patronizing," he promised. "Thank you for the lesson."

Elizabeth, disarmed by his friendliness, smiled warmly at him.

"Thank you for taking it so well. Most men would have been offended."

"Miss Elizabeth," he said, suddenly serious, "would you mind telling me why you're so determined to offend me?"

"I'm sorry, Mr. Darcy. But playing tricks on people is one of my besetting sins."

Her evasion was not lost on him. "Well—may I ask how long you've been practising archery?" he asked pleasantly.

"Since I was six," she laughed. "And what else have you been doing since you were six?"

"Oh, nothing in particular. Living. Laughing. I laugh a good deal, you know."

His glance was frankly admiring. "So I should imagine."

"It's none of my business, of course," she smiled, "but I should say, Mr. Darcy, that you didn't laugh enough."

Miss Bingley joined them. "Hello," Darcy greeted. "Miss Elizabeth was just saying she thinks I don't laugh enough."

Carolyn eyed Elizabeth frigidly. "I should be very sorry if you laughed more than you do, Mr. Darcy. There is something so unrefined about excessive laughter."

"If you want to be really refined," Elizabeth countered, "you've got to be dead. There's no body so dignified and distinguished as a mummy. And now, Mr. Darcy, may I ask you a question?"

What would be your opinion of a man who had everything—birth, breeding, wealth, charm—and yet who refused to accept an introduction to another man who was poor and of no consequence?"

Darcy flushed. "I would form no opinion until I knew the circumstances of the particular case," he replied coldly. "And now, if you will excuse me, I shall retrieve the arrows."

Elizabeth watched him go thoughtfully.

"Miss Eliza," observed Miss Bingley. "May I warn you not to take George Wickham too seriously?"

"You know I referred to Mr. Wickham?" Elizabeth asked in astonishment. "You know that Mr. Darcy refused to meet him?"

"Of course. And I know, too, that he goes about saying Mr. Darcy has used him ill. While I'm ignorant of the particulars, I know what Mr. Wickham says is not true."

"Indeed!" Elizabeth's tone was icy. "Personally, I find Mr. Wickham a very pleasant, accomplished gentleman."

"Gentleman!" exclaimed Miss Bingley. "I'm afraid he must have neglected to tell you that he's the son of Mr. Darcy's late steward."

"Mr. Wickham gave me that information, Miss Bingley. And to me, a gentleman is one who has honour, generosity, truthfulness—whether he be of low or high descent." She faced Darcy angrily as the latter approached, the arrows in hand. "Mr. Darcy! Miss Bingley would like a lesson in archery." She turned to Caroline.

## BRITAIN DELIVERS THE GOODS

An excellent idea of how British manufacturers are carrying on in the midst of enemy bombings, and how successfully overseas orders are being fulfilled, is given in a letter, written in early October, from a Home manufacturer to a local British firm.

The letter, which is reproduced here, will enable readers to form an impression of the present conduct of business in Britain. Commercial firms in the Colony may also be interested in the advice given regarding cabling procedure and the regulations in respect of the recently-imposed Purchase Tax.

The manufacturer says:—

Since we circled our way in July, despite the intensification of the enemy effort against this country, you will have observed there has been little change in our ability to maintain supplies to your market. The only real difficulty with which we have been confronted has been the logical diminution in shipping facilities from the Port of London. This, however, has been more in the nature of a domestic problem, as in the main we have been able to transfer the manufacture of our goods for export, normally made at our London works, to our Lancashire works. Where this was impossible our transport mightily made the journey from our London works to the Liverpool docks, and latterly with equal regularity such goods have been transferred by rail.

We mention this to impress upon you the comparative ease with which it is possible to cope with bombings in their present form. In our September shipments your clients have the visible proof that the business of the country continues, that internal communication is functioning smoothly and, as ever, our Merchant Fleet continue to operate freely.

## Propaganda

The foregoing we stress in the hope that, no matter how slight, the propaganda effort of our country may be aided. We feel this necessary, as so frequently do we have evidence that our friends overseas are apt to overlook the obvious and, often through concern for this country, lend an ear to the insidious propaganda of Germany, Italy and their sympathisers. What the Axis have been unable to accomplish by deed there would appear to be an intensification of effort to achieve by their imaginative propaganda, which succeeds with every order we might normally expect, but through prevailing conditions, is placed outside the country.

There have been recently lengthy delays in the receipt of overseas messages, which delays we believe are partially due to the Censorship authorities. We have lodged the most energetic protest both with Cable and Wireless, Ltd. and the Export Council, as we believe nothing can shake confidence overseas so much as failure to receive a reply to any given message within a reasonable period.

May we ask you to assist by wording messages as clearly as possible, at least with sufficient

"Follow your teacher's instructions, Miss Bingley, and you'll learn to direct your darts with great accuracy."

"Well!" cried Miss Bingley as Elizabeth, her head high, marched off. "Of all the insolence and bad manners. Pray, Mr. Darcy, what do you think of her now?"

"I think she handles a bow and arrow superbly," he replied carelessly, and smiled, after the retreating figure of Elizabeth.

Darcy's pride seems to be on the ebb—but will Elizabeth overcome her prejudice? Read to-morrow's chapter.

clarity to avoid any doubt on the part of the Censorship authorities? We would further ask you to bear the possibility of delays in mind when anticipating replies.

## Purchase Tax

We understand that in collaboration with H.M. Government the Dominions have either given as assurance that our Purchase Tax will not be regarded as part of the dutiable value under existing Law, or had agreed to take steps to ensure that it should be excluded.

When the Purchase Tax is imposed over here we are accordingly adding the following to the end of Paragraph 4 of the combined Certificate of Value and Origin—

"This domestic value also includes £..... representing Purchase Tax not chargeable on goods for export."

The full value will then be shown in column declaring current domestic value of the article shipped, but duty should only be paid on this amount less Purchase Tax.

With the transference of our business from London to the country it was impossible to bring with each department those records one would normally have at hand. In actual practice, it was considered the export trade of this country would be so thwarted that, apart from contracts outstanding at the outbreak of hostilities, no past records were brought to this office. Prior to the intensification of aerial warfare, it was a matter of ease to fit in a journey to our main office where it was necessary to refer to pre-war records, but this can no longer be arranged without inconvenience and the possibility of wasted time. We would ask, therefore, that you bear this feature in mind, and instead of referring to pre-war correspondence—thank questions dating back as something new, passing us all pertinent details to enable a reply without reference to past records.

## Bombings

To conclude, we would not wish to create an impression that the life of this country is quite undisturbed, but rather that our difficulties are such that they are surmounted.

From the point of the individual, we live in hard and unpleasant times. Many of the staff live in the more densely populated areas, and the number who have lost their homes and many of their possessions is distressing. Those areas now appear to be receiving such protection from our barrage that the outer suburbs are getting the bombs.

The indiscriminate nature of these bombings might be illustrated by a very recent experience during a night raid. In an essentially residential area on the extreme outskirts of London, a German plane dropped probably its full complement of bombs. These bombs fell in an area, the radius of which would be about a quarter of a mile, the damage being to houses, a block of flats, a public house and stables. The nearest possible objective was a bridge, of no great importance, quite a mile distant.

These bombings achieved nothing as affecting our war effort, and miraculously only two people were killed and three treated for minor injuries. The stable did suffer, eight horses being killed. Close at hand on the same night the wives of two personal friends were killed outright and, in the one case, the second son and only daughter also perished. Remaining members of both families are in hospital.

## Food Supplies

Finally, as bearing on current conditions of life in and around London, the storm centre of the moment, it might be added the stables belong to one of our well-known London dairies, and to their credit it can be stated the local delivery of milk was made at the usual hour.

It is in this feature, the maintenance of food supplies to the public through the various steps taken by our authorities in collaboration with the sources of supply concerned, that our arrangements are the most impressive.

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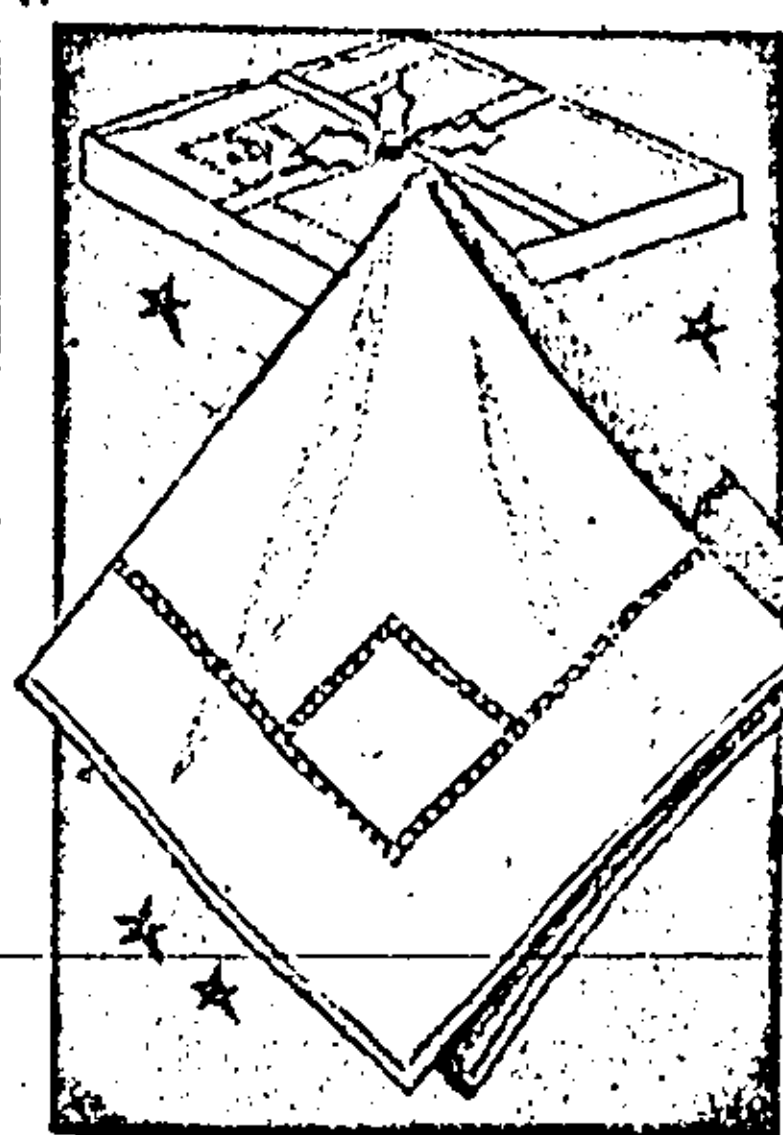


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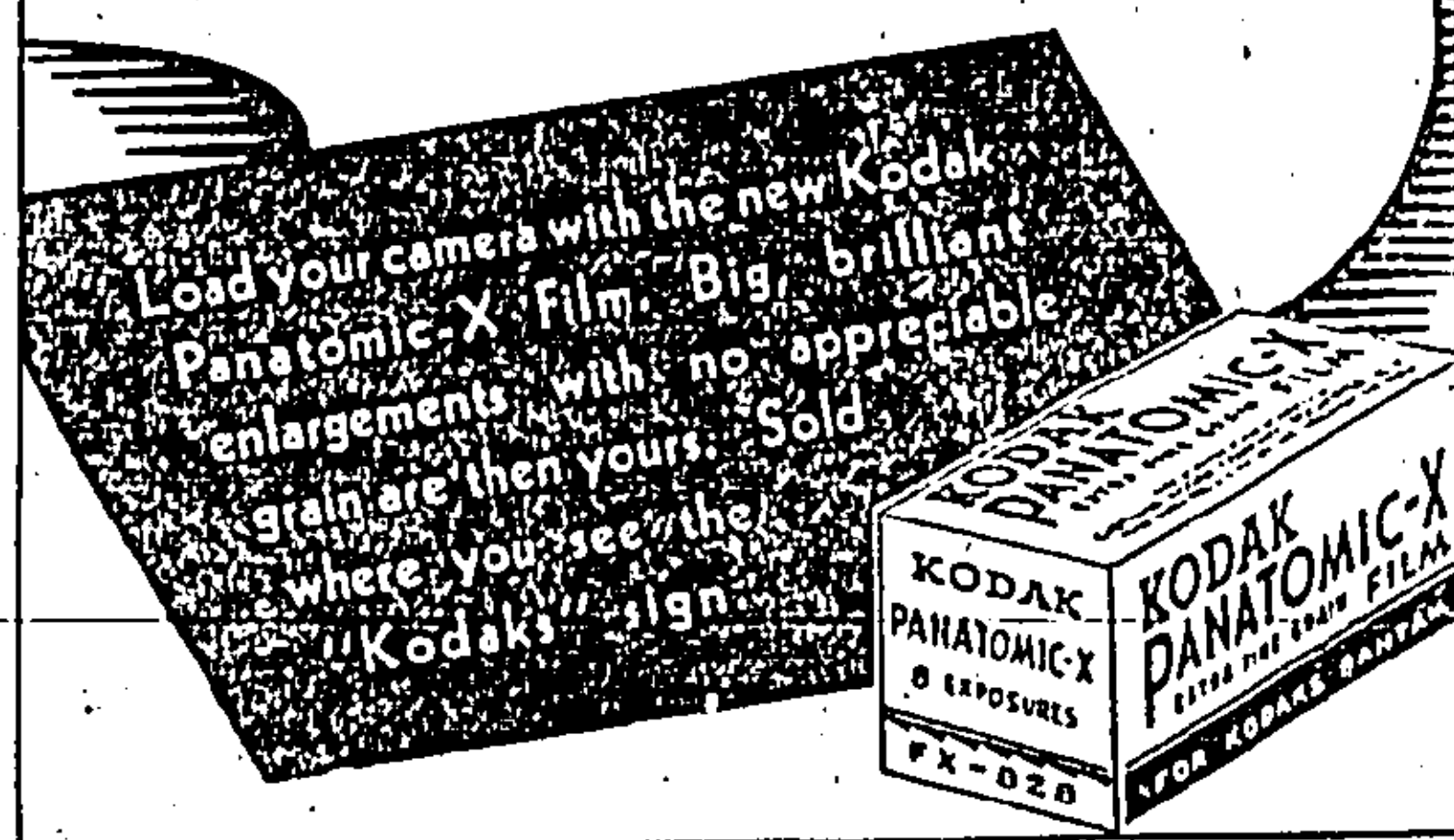
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## OFFENSIVE, AND AFTER

Although Britain has not stated her war aims beyond the self-evident object of self-preservation, the subjugation of Germany's armed forces and the liberation of free peoples which will automatically attend that happening, she has repeated with more and more assurance that she intends to take the offensive by land, sea and air as soon as her supplies are sufficient for that purpose.

It is thought that her weapons may be adequate late next year; certainly they will be of such striking power by then that we shall be able to deal so effectively with the enemy as to make the postponement of an offensive of no vital concern to our own safety.

The co-ordination of our air arm with land and sea forces will have achieved that perfection, essential to a successful invasion of the continent by next year while the numbers of our aircraft will be such that diversions can be kept up at different points along the huge coastline now under German domination so as to split the defensive forces. Probably parachute troops landed under the protection of this air force will first secure the safety of a port at which reinforcements can arrive, while the preponderance of our naval strength will assure the retention of this area from sea attack or cover the withdrawal of the troops while another attack is being made elsewhere.

Since aircraft now play such a great part in warfare it will be necessary to devise better protection for the troops from bombing and machine-gunning than exists at present. Nevertheless the best protection against such attack lies in beating the enemy in the air and that is why Britain is placing such emphasis on the need for more and more aeroplanes of all types.

Incidentally it is because Germany herself is convinced that we do intend to take the offensive as soon as we are in a position to do so that the Luftwaffe is trying desperately to stem our production at home while saving its own machines by refraining from daylight raids.

Our unhappy friends in Great Britain are taking terrific punishment and the test will be in their ability to continue to take it for several more months without flinching. It would be untimely to go further into the trials that await them while we sit here on the edge of our little volcano without being able to do more than pray for them and to buy them a few aircraft.

Neutral observers are still saying that the grit of the civilians in the British Isles has shown itself in the superb and unflinching morale of all. After the war we shall come to the vexed question of what to do with the Germans. A lot will depend on the reactions of the Germans themselves; whether they feel they have had enough of Hitlerism or whether they still feel an urge to conquer.



# CHINA IS ALSO FIGHTING FOR DEMOCRACY

BY her alliance with the Axis Powers Japan has thrown off all pretence of "non-involvement" in the war, and dared the United States to come on in the Pacific. Whatever be the reassurances, the Anti-Comintern Pact has been re-hashed and the Soviet Union placed in a vice with Italy hemming in at the Balkan back-door.

Contrary to Tokio's calculations, American public opinion stiffens up. The joint Pacific defence talk in Washington is being pushed vigorously forward. Failing a climb down there, war on the Chinese mainland will engulf the Pacific. It will be foolish to ignore China as a positive factor in the battles of Asia and the Pacific.

For more than three years the Chinese people have suffered and withstood Japanese onslaught. They have shown their fibre. Twice China's capitals, Nanking and Hankow, have been captured. Yet each time victory eluded Japan and still recedes. Convinced of the final victory, China's will to resist has immeasurably increased with time.

To-day, the military situation is a stalemate. Japanese forces can neither remain with comfort nor withdraw without loss of face. Increased battering of Chungking, the war capital, has been going on. Her economic structure is top-heavy, her gold reserves depleted considerably, guarded as thickly sugar-coated cost of living rising and national debt piling up. The claim of Chiang-wei failed to divert the war materials over raw material

## Increased Armoured Strength for the Army

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The attainment of a definite stage in the policy of rapidly increasing the armoured strength of the British Army is marked by a new appointment, namely, Commander of the Royal Armoured Corps.

The first occupant of this post will be Major General Giffard to Quesno Martel.

General Martel served on the staff of the Tank Corps in the last war and has been Deputy Director of mechanisation at the War Office.

It is also officially announced that Lieutenant General Alexander, who served with distinction in France and Belgium during the present war and was in Command of the British Expeditionary Force during the last days of the evacuation from Dunkirk, is now appointed to the Southern Command, replacing General Auchinleck whose appointment as Commander-in-Chief of India was recently notified.

## By H. D. LIEM A prominent Chinese journalist working in London

imports cripples her industries aggravated by the banning of petrol and lorries on the Burma Road. The European War, the collapse of France and the closing of the Burma Road severely curtailed supplies of lorries, oil and materials for the construction of new railways, radio stations, telephone, telegraph, controls strips of land and lines of communications, continually harassed by marauding guerillas. In the vast areas she claims to have occupied, the Chinese magistrates still hold their court, taxes are collected, port of enormous quantities of and Chinese bank-notes enjoy a high premium over the Japanese puppet paper money.

To-day, 3,000,000 Chinese consume 1½ tons of petrol regular troops are spread on all each way from point to point, fronts, and 6,000,000 in train-while "camels do not eat oil." Irregulars and guerillas number, will be the immediate fruit of at a modest estimate, some 25 the Chinese people's war against to 30 millions, filling all crevices aggression and tyranny. During in the country and penetrating war-time, China has established deep behind the Japanese lines, her parliament, the People's What China needs are arms, Political Council, with representatives, tanks and planes—quickly sentatives drawn from all the and in plenty. When the ice is provinces, including Manchuria, thick enough to skate, a general Owing to severe bombings of offensive will be called to trap Chungking recently and diff-

the Japanese forces like a man cutties in transport following in a room with fires bursting the closing of the Burma Road out of every corner and the and bannings of petrol and doors bolted. lorries, the People's Congress called for November 12 to adopt Reconstruction. Free China, the National Constitution has been suspended although pre-paratory work still carries on.

Second war aim: National Reconstruction. Free China, the National Constitution has been suspended although pre-paratory work still carries on.

This is a people's war. Giving back democratic rights to the people will make them realise what they are fighting for and secure their whole-hearted support. They will be fighting not only for land, food and home, but also for spiritual values, the Rights of Men. They will learn the rudiments of democracy with rifles by their side. And after victory they will have learnt the responsibilities of a good citizen. Contrast this with Japan's definite shift in war towards Fascism and tyranny.

The people are rising up to the occasion. Great tasks face them. Industries and mines are being opened in Free China. Universities and schools spring up like mushrooms. Students, writers and artists are achieving remarkable results in combating illiteracy, doing rural work, A.R.P., recruiting, propaganda and keeping up the morale of the people high. Sixty million refugees are being organized into Chinese Industrial Co-operative units with production put on a guerilla basis to escape capture.

We are, however, facing two stubborn and gigantic problems her, to be let alone to restore in spite of stupendous effort: her house in order for there is Red Cross and relief; communi-mor more than plenty to do. A cations and transport. Large free, democratic and peace-quantities of quinine, vaccines, loving China, side by side with serum, anaesthetics, medical democratic Japan, will be the supplies and surgical instru-stabilising forces of peace in ments and hospitals are wanted. The Pacific as a positive contri-Transport in Free China being bution towards a permanent dependent almost exclusively on world peace when aggression roads, the situation has been has been uprooted and crushed.

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## LAVAL LOSING GROUND

Flandin As Nazis'  
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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Dec. 9.—News from Vichy suggests that the Vice Premier, M. Laval, has been losing ground lately both with the Germans and Marshal Petain. The Germans feel that he is not making rapid enough progress in his policy of bringing France into line with the Axis or rather the German plans for a new order, since Italy does not appear to have been consulted about this move.

Indeed it is chiefly at Italy's expense that Vichy's position is being won France over to complete subservience.

### Nazis Favour Flandin

Probably with a view to limiting extra pressure on Laval the Germans are conspiring at bringing about the admission of M. Flandin into the French Cabinet.

It will be recalled that the first time Laval went to Paris he was kept waiting while the German Commissioner Abetz saw Flandin. It will be in keeping with German methods to have another string to their bow in Flandin who would seem to be prepared to outbid Laval for German favours.

Petain seems to be showing some signs of resistance to Laval and for the moment he seems to have checked the trend towards a complete understanding with Germany. His attitude has undoubtedly been strengthened by the growing discontent in unoccupied France as a result of the increasing hardships on the population. There is general poverty and distress and the Germans are unable or unwilling to do anything to relieve the situation while the fact that they are holding nearly 2,000,000 French soldiers as hostages is a source of bitter humiliation in a corresponding number of French households.

### Clever Stroke

It was a clever stroke by Petain to send Weygand to Morocco to be out of the reach of immediate

# 800 ALBANIAN REBELS AMBUSH ITALIAN UNITS

## NAZIS IN RUMANIA

Enjoy A Free Hand

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Germany can send an unlimited number of effective troops into Rumania since the number is not restricted by any clause in the German-Rumanian pact signed in Berlin during the visit of General Antonescu, writes the Istanbul correspondent of the "Free France Agency."

The correspondent adds that the National Bank of Rumania has ordered new printing presses from Germany to increase the country's technical capacity for printing notes to the present capacity of nine million lei daily is insufficient to meet the new extraordinary expenses due to territorial annexations, recent earthquakes and the German occupation.

### Iron Guard Mass Acres

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The Rumanian Commission of Inquiry into the "crimes" committed against the Iron Guard during the previous regime has been dissolved because "all the instigators of these crimes are either dead or have fled the country," states a Bucharest dispatch. The fact of the men against whom the Commission had proceeded were massacred by Iron Guard extremists in Jilava prison a fortnight ago.

pressure. It leaves the backdoor open through which is the possibility of ultimate escape.

With Italy's war potential practically paralysed by the hammer blows of Greece backed by the Royal Navy and Royal Air Force, the French armies in Morocco may yet be called upon to play an important part in the restoration of France.

Special to the "Telegraph"

STRUGA, DEC. 9 (UP).—FRONTIER REPORTS SAY THAT 800 ALBANIAN REBELS TO-DAY AMBUSHED THE ITALIANS WHO ARE RETREATING FROM SANTE QUARANTI, KILLING THREE OFFICERS AND 87 SOLDIERS AND WOUNDING 170, WHILE 75 REBELS WERE KILLED AND 190 WOUNDED.

It is reported the Greeks who are advancing northward from Argyro-Castron, last night broke through the weak Italian resistance and occupied the village of Subasi, capturing one Italian officer and 70 soldiers.

In the Mosheopolis sector the Greeks are advancing along the Devoli river and early this morning occupied the village of Bersnili.

In the Premeti sector the Greeks from the Dangli mountains have now swung westward and are only six miles from the junction of the roads to Tepelini and Berat, and about 12 miles from Tepelini. The Greeks, who last Thursday occupied the village of Sopot, have continued their infiltration down the Gostina Valley.

### GREEK'S CAUTIOUS ADVANCE

"REUTERS" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

ATHENS, Dec. 9.—The Greeks are advancing cautiously towards Chimarra, 22 miles west of Argyro-Castron on the coast between Sante Quaranti and Valona.

The movement threatens the flank of the Italians who are withdrawing northward from Sante Quaranti. Reports indicate that the Italian rearguards are stubbornly resisting the Greek push and are employing tactics designed to draw on small detachments of Greeks which would be vulnerable to counter-attack.

A cavalry screen has been thrown out by the Greeks in order to counter this plan. Bitter fighting is raging in the centre of the present 80 mile long front where Italian resistance is reported to be very fierce.

An indication of the actual position however, is seen in orders found in the possession of an Italian officer captured at Premeti instructing him to shoot any Italian who "unnecessarily" retired.

### Rome Admission

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Dec. 9 (UP).—The Italians have withdrawn from Argyro-Castron to a line apparently aimed at the defence of Valona, one of the two main Albanian ports.

According to despatches from Tirana, the withdrawal was carried out in the snow-covered roads in the mountains after the bloodiest hand-to-hand fighting of the entire Italo-Greek war. A rearguard action, aided by hundreds of planes held back the repeated Greek attacks. The communiqué emphasizes that there were no losses in men or materials during the withdrawal, which was orderly.

### High Command Changes

ROME, Dec. 9 (UP).—An extraordinary communiqué issued to-day declared that the recent changes in the Italian High Command were made for the purpose of speeding up the Italian war machine.

"Those who find in the High Command changes any dangerous symptoms, lack of harmony, possible delays and forecast catastrophes are wrong and are committing the same mistakes as were made during the Ethiopian campaign," declared the communiqué.

### Reason For Appointment

ROME, Dec. 9 (UP).—Well informed circles consider the new Naval Chief, Admiral Arturo Riccardi, was chosen because of his theories for re-organizing warships and aeroplanes.

### Three Regiments Surrender

WITH THE GREEK ARMY, SOUTH ALBANIA, Dec. 9 (UP).—According to official sources, numerous Italian prisoners were taken at Argyro-Castron, including two Alpine regiments and one Bersaglieri regiment, believed to be from the 42nd Ferrara division.

### 600 More Prisoners

ATHENS, Dec. 9 (UP).—Five hundred more Italian prisoners arrived at Piraeus by sea this morning.

### German Desires

BELGRADE, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Germany desires a liquidated Italo-Greek conflict as soon as possible, writes Rome's correspondent to the Yugoslav newspaper "Politika", but he adds that Rome papers continue to insist that the Italians will themselves solve and liquidate the "war against England" now being waged on the Greek front.

Another Rome correspondent declares that the "problem of eventual German help did not even come into the question."

## STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—British Banking shares continue quietly to enjoy a revival of interest on the Stock Exchange, but otherwise generally dull conditions prevail with prices of most groups following gilt edged securities to slightly lower levels.

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8.15. London Relay—"Gay Deceivers" Comedy.  
9.00. London Relay—The News and News Commentary.  
9.30. London Relay—Talk: "Scots Abroad".

9.45. Grieg—Sonata in C Minor, Op. 45—Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) and Fritz Kreisler (Violin).  
10.10. Puccini's "La Bohème" Act I.—Singers in order of appearance: Luigi Marini, Gino Vanelli, Toncredi Pasero, Aristide Baccocchi, Salvatore Baccocchi and Rosetta Pampanini and Rosetta Pampanini with Orchestra.  
10.45. Orchestral Selections.—Sir Roger De Coverley, Post Horn Galop, New Mayfair Orchestra; Suite De Danes—Intermezzo, Valse Melancolique, Otto Dobrindt and Eugen Wolf Orchestras.  
11.00. Close Down.

## PHILLIPS IN U.S.A.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The cancellation of Sir Frederick Phillips' appointment at the United States Treasury to-day was apparently, according to Treasury officials, because he had not yet completed the data which he wished to present in continuation of his discussions. The next conference is expected to be held to-morrow.

### No Request For Aid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (UP).—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, said to-day that the British had not yet asked for any financial aid "formally or informally," and that the Administration has not yet determined what their policy would be if and when such a request is made.

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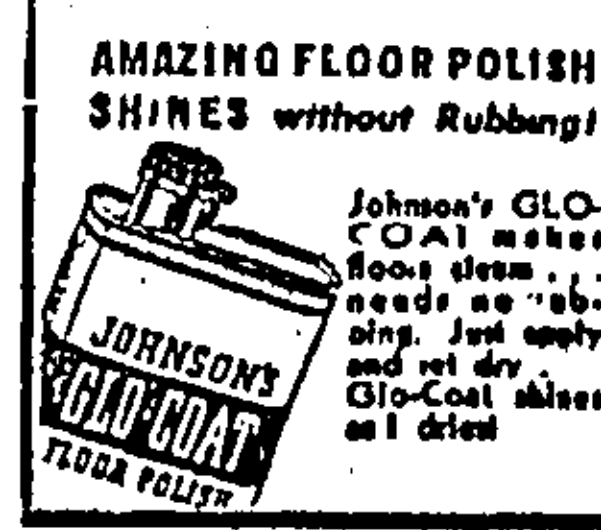
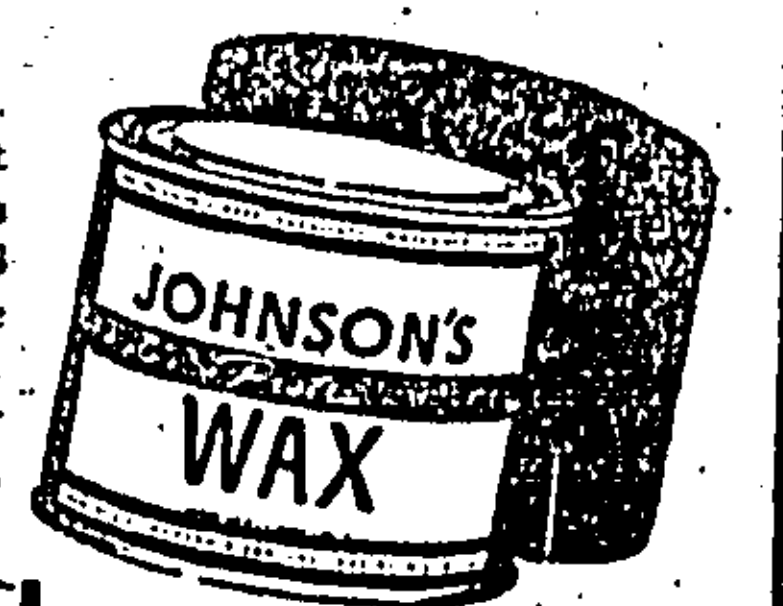


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## "R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

# Volunteer Camps Interfere Week-end Batting Honours To J. F. Lawrence And K. Y. Tam

Several teams were rather cut up by Camps on Saturday last and there was not anything of outstanding interest except the defeat of the Club by the University. The former side was really an A. side in charge of Major Grose—but they seemed perfectly safe in their declaration. But one had not counted on the extraordinary weakness of their bowling, or on the fact that the Varsity would take advantage of it to bring off a very stout batting performance. Two centuries in one Saturday afternoon game have been made several times before. But speaking from memory I think it is a good many years since a century was hit for the Varsity in what may practically rank as a first division game.

### N. SINGH BOWLS WELL

The change to opening batsman has certainly seemed to suit J. F. Lawrence very well. He hit up a very fine century against the University and was not dropped though he told me he put a dangerous one through the slips which did not quite go to hand. Grose, Booker and Bateman did little, all of them falling to N. Singh whom I believe to be Naranjan Singh whose batting in the second eleven I have been writing up as worthy of the first team. But among so many Singhs I rather lose the exact melody.

John Pearce however, stopped. He seems to be a very much improved batsman this year.

### SPORTS ADVT.

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THE THIRTEENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 14th December, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

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THE EFFORTS of Mr. C. Terrans to rejuvenate billiards in the European Y.M.C.A. are being given expression this evening in the form of a Billiards Social, which commences at 8 p.m.

It is proposed to open the evening with a team match—six a side—and this is to be followed with two novelty contests.

Final item is to be an exhibition game, and in this Mr. M. N. Rakusen has consented to participate. It was hoped that A. J. Osmund, the well-known local billiards player, would be able to turn out but he is indisposed. However, another of Hongkong's better players is to appear, and a good match seems promised.

### Badminton Match Postponed

FIRST MATCH in the Badminton League, which was that between the University "B" and Reccelo in the "A" Division, and which was scheduled to take place last night, was postponed.

Hung and F. R. Zimmerman took the score to 62. Civil Service managed to get a couple more wickets before the game was won. Kowloon had their strongest possible side out but the Civil Service were weak and had to borrow Tropp and Parrot. The latter took a very nice catch in the deep field, but Tropp could not reproduce the form he had shown for the Army against the Club the previous week. B. C. K. Hawkins took a wicket.

### Civil Servants' Seconds

THE C.S.C.C. second eleven were strengthened by W. H. Colledge who is out of luck this year, and he put up 40 before being stumped when hitting. The same fate befell Lawrence who made 72 and the side declared at 181 for 7 wickets. K.C.C. nearly got the runs but not quite. Fenton (38), S. A. Gray (32) and B. D. Lay were the principal scorers for the K.C.C.

### A Naval Side

TAMAR, with the aid of at least one of the Wavy Navy who has long played for the Club, made 153 against a Craigengower A side. When I was watching George Souza and A. K. Ismail were going strong and I thought C.C.C. would win but they had a terrible tail and lost by 24 runs.

### Police One Short

THE POLICE are having a pretty difficult time now and were one short on their own ground, against the I.R.C. second. They managed to put them out for 113 however thanks largely to Carey's five wickets for twenty-three. But the I.R.C. bowlers were a little too good and they succumbed in the end by 33 runs.

### SMALL UNIT GAME

There was a match between the R.A.O.C. and the Pay Corps at Soekongpo but as I did not see it and know practically nothing of the players I can only record that it was a draw.



J. F. Lawrence (Saturday's centurion) and C. Logan, opening for the Army against the Kowloon Cricket Club in the whole-day match on Sunday.—Ming Yuen.

## First Round Matches Of Stubbs' Shield

The first round for the Stubbs' Shield has been played off and following are the results:

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank beat C.S.O. at the 10th; R.A.O.C. beat Headquarters C.C. at the 10th; Education Department beat Army Dental Corps 4 and 5; 5th A.A. Regiment beat A.P.C. at the 10th; Dairy Farm beat H.K.V.D.C. one up; 1. B. Hutchinson and Co. beat Leigh and Grange 2 and 1.

The following received byes: Gilman and Co. H.K.S.B. 12th Heavy Regiment 1. Army Audit Staff F.W.D. Air Raid Warden, Post Office Department, Butterfield and Swire, Badwell and Co., and Government Medical Department.

The shield was presented for competition by Sir Reginald Stubbs, a former Governor of Hongkong, and was originally known as the "Governor's Shield," but after the departure of Sir Reginald the name was changed to the Stubbs Shield.

### Captain's Cup

The following qualified in the December round of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's Captain's Cup during the week-end:  
Old Course—K. S. Robertson 70-6=73 (23 entries).  
New Course—H. A. Mills 68-20=88 (five entries).

### C. S. C. C. Cricket Teams

On Saturday, the first and second teams of Civil Service Cricket Club will be engaged in friendly cricket matches. The first XI will be playing the Indian Recreation Club on the latter's ground at 2 p.m., and the second XI will also be meeting the I.R.C. at the same time but on the home ground.

Following are their teams:  
1st XI—J. E. Richardson (Capt.), K. J. Atwell, J. Baker, F. V. N. Fortescue, B. H. Griffin, B. C. K. Hawkins, D. J. Hollidge, D. McLeish, A. E. Perry, N. L. Smith, W. Whitley.  
2nd XI—H. E. Strange (Capt.), G. Ainslie, J. Barrow, W. H. Colledge, G. Davidson, F. E. Lawrence, J. F. McGowan, J. Mitchell, G. Stone, A. Watson, A. M. J. Wright.

### "The London Butcher"

The London Retail Meat Traders' Association has sent £5,000 to the Minister of Aircraft Production for the purchase of a Spitfire to be called "The London Butcher." The same amount has been received from the Southern Railway for the naming of a Spitfire. All ranks from the chairman to the signal cabin have contributed, including staffs of associated companies.

The Minister of Aircraft Production also acknowledged with gratitude £4,000 from the people of Flintshire (second contribution) and £12,000 from the Preston District Spitfire Fund.

### Women's Medal Pool Results

The Medal Pool, for the Ladies Section of the Hongkong Golf Club, held over the New Course, Fanling, from November 23 to December 3 was won by Mrs. A. D. Humphreys with 101-33=68. Runner-up was Mrs. H. C. Margaret with 98-25=71.

There were 21 entries, the fees for which are being donated to the Mobile Canteen Fund. Entries for the Ross Cup have been extended until December 31. A special train will run from Kowloon at 9.42 a.m. on Tuesday, December 17, for members of the A.N.S. and V.A.D. taking part in the Tombstone Competition. The draw for partners will take place about 10.30 a.m. in the Ladies' Clubhouse. Handicaps will be given for the day.

Tea will be served at 4.30 p.m. followed by the presentation of the Prize. It is hoped that all players will remain till the presentation is over.

### Billiards

#### Medicals Unbeaten In Military League

Following are the results of the Garrison Billiards League matches from November 25 to December 4:  
Royal Scots beat 12th R.A. 4-3; R.A.P.C. beat R.A.O.C. 4-2; R.H.C. beat Signals 5-2; R.A.M.C. beat R.A.P.C. 5-2; 5th A.A. beat Engineers 4-3; Royal Scots beat Police 1-1; R.H.C. beat Signals 5-2; Engineers beat 5th A.A. 7-0; 12th R.A. beat R.A.O.C. 6-1; R.A.M.C. beat R.A.P.C. 7-0; R.A.P.C. beat Engineers 4-3; 5th A.A. beat Signals 4-3; Police beat R.A.O.C. 6-1; R.A.M.C. beat 12th R.A. 0-1.

League Table	P.	W.	L.	T.	F.	A.
R.A.M.C.	9	9	0	0	0	0
Fortress Engineers	6	3	3	0	0	10
Royal Scots	6	4	2	0	0	17
Royal Signals	5	4	1	0	0	22
5th A.A.	5	4	1	0	0	14
R.A.P.C.	5	2	3	0	0	17
Military Police	4	2	2	0	0	14
12th R.A.	4	1	3	0	0	18
5th A.A.	4	2	2	0	0	14
12th R.A.	4	0	4	0	0	20

### CHALLENGE CUP

Garrison Challenge Cup, (first round)—  
11 Coy. Royal Scots beat Signals 871-739;  
R.A.S.C. beat 40th (F) Coy. R.E. 819-874;  
R.A.M.C. beat 5 Coy. Royal Scots 61-67;  
Soldiers' Club Tournament (first round)—  
11 L. Coy. Royal Scots beat 22nd (F) Coy. R.E. 1,409-1,284; R.A.M.C. beat 3 Coy. Royal Scots 1,580-1,114.

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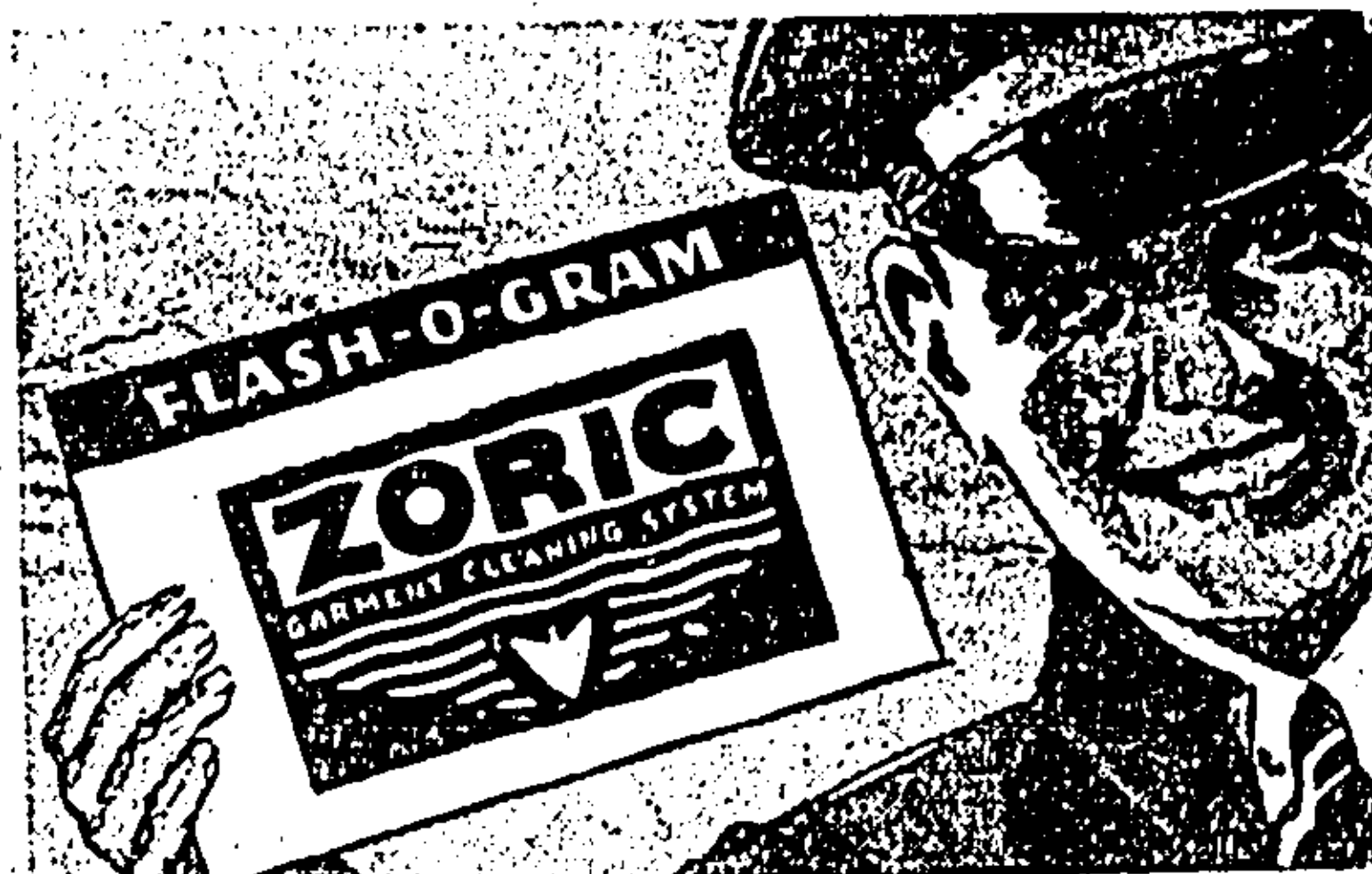
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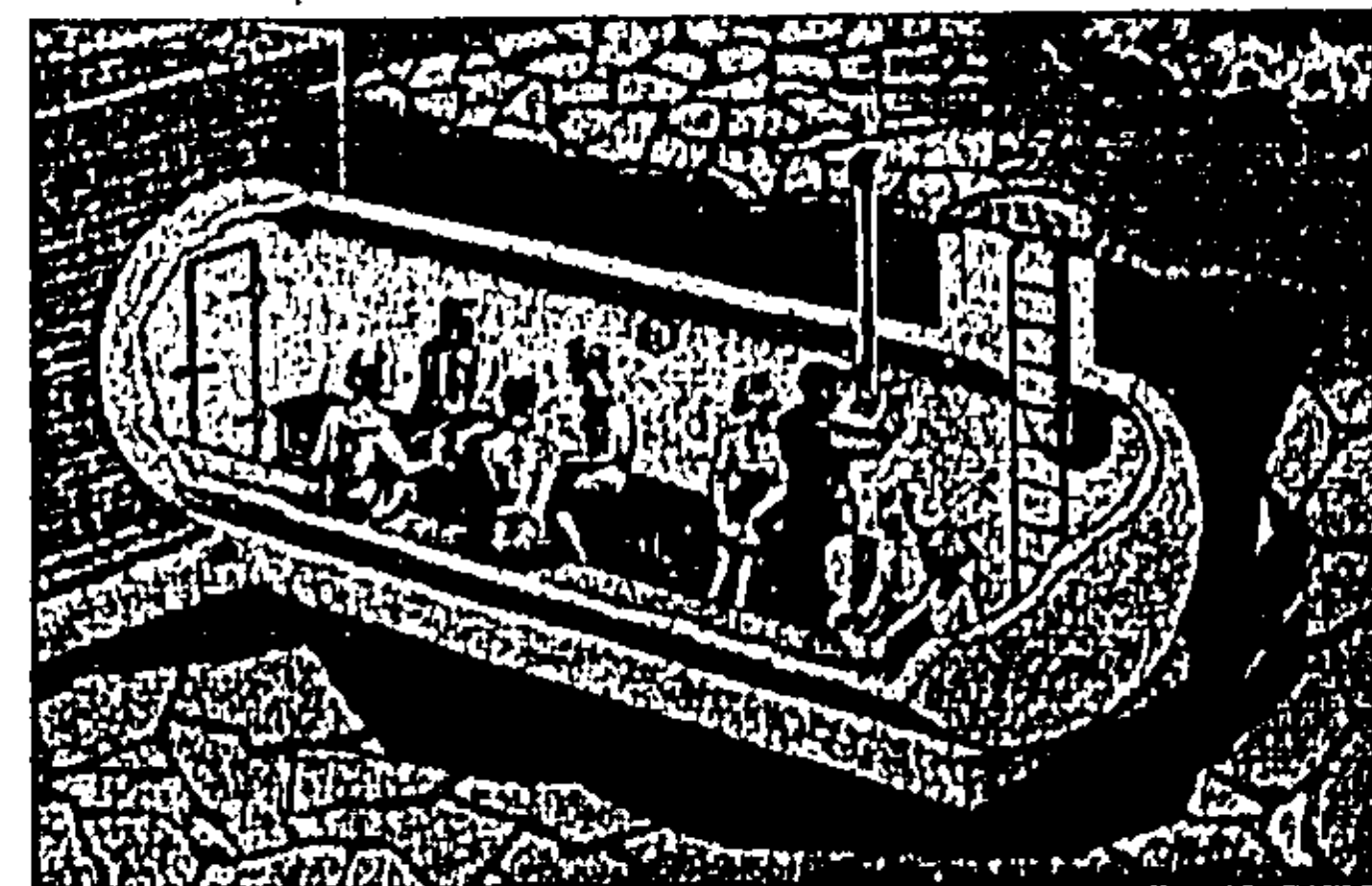
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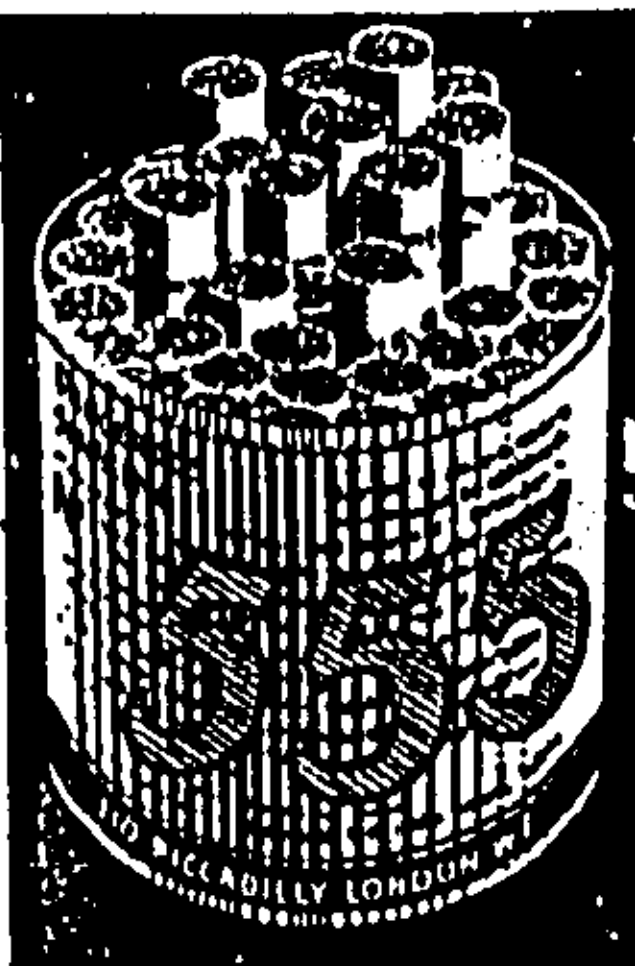
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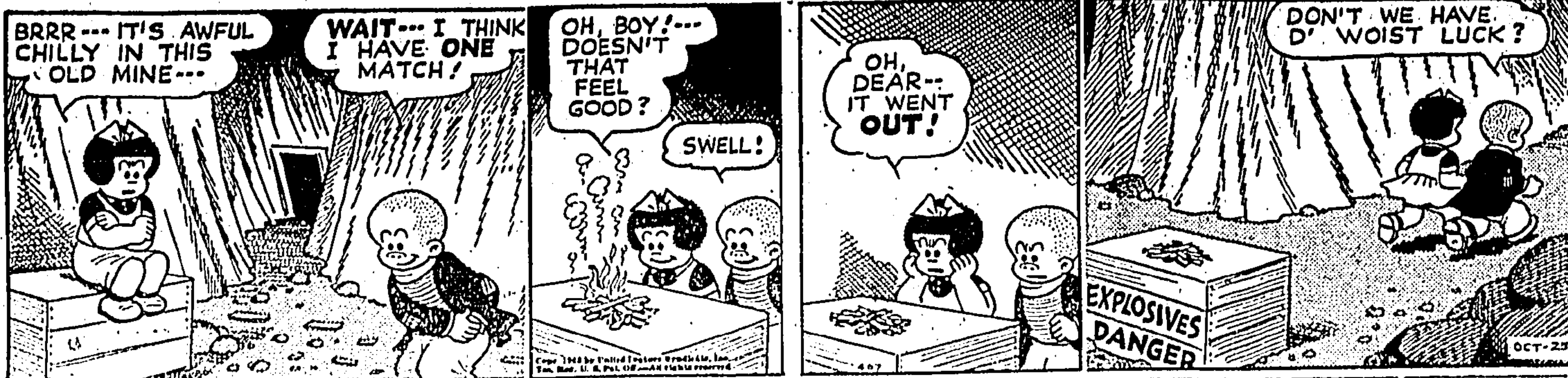
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## Dusseldorf Factories Left In Flames

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—"We clouted Dusseldorf good and hard" said one pilot of the British bomber planes which participated in the concentrated attack last night on the large industrial area of Dusseldorf.

The raid began shortly after 6 p.m. in bright moonlight. Visibility was excellent and the Rhine bridges were clearly distinguished, one crew bombing from a height of several thousand feet was actually able to see flames streaming from windows of a factory in the area of the chief target, which was again blast furnaces of a steel works manufacturing railway and shipping equipment and other war material.

Three large fires and many small ones followed the bursting of the first bombs, and British aircraft then crowded in in quick succession, says the Air Ministry, dropping heavy bombs accurately on the steel works, and pelting the entire area with hundreds of incendiary bombs.

Great banks of smoke obscured the scene for some of the latecomers, but the pilots generally did not meet this trouble, and as they returned to their base, one after another reported great destruction, and stated that from 30 or 40 miles away it was plain that many fires had taken firm hold.

**U-Boat Bases**  
LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. made a return visit to German U-boat bases at Brest and Lorient on Sunday night—which were attacked only 24 hours before—as well as to that at Bordeaux.

A great fire was started among the buildings between two of the dock basins at Bordeaux, and at Brest the roof of one of the dockside buildings was seen to fall in, while other bombs struck around the port military and naval barracks and dry docks.

**Bordeaux Raid**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
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**Pressmen See Damage**  
DUSSELDORF, Dec. 9 (UP).—About a dozen houses and stores and Dusseldorf station were demolished, while scores of windows were smashed by high explosive bombs during two short, intensive British raids on Saturday and Sunday nights.

The damage was seen by eight foreign newspapermen who were flown to Dusseldorf to-day by the Ministry of Propaganda.

According to German officials—and as far as the correspondents were able to see—there was no damage of any consequence to any factories or railways.

The correspondents were also flown over the important industrial cities of Hamburg and Duisburg where factories, iron foundries and rolling mill were apparently working normally and no damage was visible either to the factories, or the great inland harbour which the British claim to have bombed.

## NANKING NOTES

SHANGHAI, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The Nanking Regime is issuing its own currency on January 15, according to a "Trans-Asian" report from Nanking, but will continue recognising the Chungking Government notes for a certain period, after which Chungking notes will be exchanged at par for Nanking notes, and the former will be declared valueless in occupied territory.

## JAPANESE PREPARE PUSH

### CORPS OF RONIN

CHUNGKING, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Fervish military preparations are going on in Formosa and Amoy following the appointment of the new Governor General of Formosa, General Nakajima Yasutsune, who is regarded as an influential member of the Japanese young officers clique and also a staunch advocate of the southward expansion programme, according to a Chinese dispatch.

The report adds that among the new measures to be adopted is the organisation of a "South Asia Surveying Corps" comprising 400 Japanese ronin or troublemakers in different parts of the Straits Settlements and the South Seas who are stated to be divided into groups for the purpose of collecting information.

**Raid On Amoy**  
FOOCHOW, Dec. 10 (Central News).—A daring raid on Amoy was staged by Chinese units on the night of November 29.

Under cover of darkness, the Chinese crossed over to Amoy from the mainland. After wiping out the sentries at the Japanese observation tower, they rushed to the residence of the Japanese officer, Matsubara and the Chinese Chief of Police. Both of them, together with a number of Japanese and Chinese "puppet" soldiers, were killed. Two Japanese were taken prisoner.

## Dutch Submarine Reported Lost

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—The headquarters of the Royal Netherlands Navy announced the loss of an unidentified Dutch submarine in war operations.

## Danish Nazis Jeered By Demonstrators

"United Press" Staff Correspondent

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 9 (UP).—Several thousand Haderslev citizens massed outside the Haderslev gaol until four a.m. this morning singing Danish national songs, cheering the police, and jeering the Danish Nazis who were being questioned by Police Chief Ne J Hartmann in connection with last night's battle, in which six policemen and a number of Nazis were injured and 350 gaoled.

The first clash between the demonstrators and police occurred on Sunday when a handful of gendarmes attempted to halt the march of several hundred Nazis from neighbouring towns into Haderslev. The gendarmes battled with the demonstrators until midnight.

**Many Nazis Arrested**  
STOCKHOLM, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Many Nazis were taken into custody after a disturbance at Haderslev.

Danish Conservatives held a meeting on Sunday, and 15,000 people were present including the ex-Minister of Commerce, M. Noeller, who in a speech declared, "We do not believe that foreign methods suit us. We believe in a popular Government, in the right to think and speak freely, and the right to promote what we consider right. We are irrevocably united in our destinies as Danes and Scandinavians."

A different note was sounded by M. Stauning at a Labour meeting at Copenhagen on Sunday when he declared that Denmark was at present one of the most fortunate countries in the world since she preferred submission to destruction. He claimed that Denmark had more ample food supplies than most other countries.

## Shanghai In Grip Of Cold Snap

CHUNGKING, Dec. 9 (Central News).—Shanghai is again in the grip of a severe cold snap, which is exacting a heavy toll of lives from poor people living on the streets.

During each of the past three days, an average of 120 persons, some 40 adults and 80 children, died of exposure and hunger.

Mortality in Shanghai for November was exceptionally high, over 700 adults and nearly 1,500 children being found dead on the streets.

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## BRITISH FORCES ADVANCING

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7 causing a fire in the hangars while a patrol fire was started. Enemy fighters were intercepted during the raid and only R.A.F. plane was shot down.

### Operations Extending

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Operations in the Western Desert are extending satisfactorily, says a special communique issued by G.H.Q. Cairo to-night. Over 400 prisoners have already been captured in one area.

### British Initiative

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—British Imperial Forces in the Western Desert began operations to-day on a scale larger than any yet initiated in Africa since the start of the war. They were directed mainly against the Italian right flank along the top of an escarpment some 15 or 20 miles south of Sidi Barrani. General Graziani's advance base on the coast some 40 miles inside the Egyptian border.

Little can be said at present about the extent to which the operations may develop, but it is known that for the past few weeks the whole of the enemy's forward line has been probed by British armoured units making repeated sorties.

It is reasonable to suppose that if our forward units are able to capture the positions commanding the escarpment they may be able to threaten the body of the Italian army entrenched in the coastal belt.

### Chosen Moment

Following the Italian debacle in Albania, it is evident that the moment has been well chosen to make Graziani fight.

The operation is still in its initial stage, and it would be premature to discuss the ultimate possibilities of to-day's successful engagement in full.

Nevertheless it is permissible to wonder what will be the effect of an Italian defeat at the present moment in this theatre of Italy's war effort.

## GREEK ADVANCE

FROM PAGE ONE

trying to march northward along the coast with the battle for Valona looming as large as the battle for Albania itself.

### Anti-Fascists Executed

SOFIA, Dec. 9 (UP).—Disorders provoked by non-Fascist elements in Italy continue, and many anti-Fascists have been executed, according to a Radio Athens announcement to-day.

"The victorious Greek troops continued their advance on the Argyro-Castron front and drove out the remaining Italian detachments."

"To-day we captured a few villages and some positions of great strategic importance, and many Italian officers and soldiers were taken prisoner. We have so far occupied a quarter of the entire territory of Albania," the announcement stated.

## Wuhan-Fighting In Cold

WUYUAN, Dec. 9 (Central News).—Severe fighting is now raging in west Suiyuan in sub-zero weather conditions, as a large Japanese force is launching a fresh drive westward from Paotao, western terminus of the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway.

The Japanese attack, which was started on December 6, is mainly directed against Chinese positions in the heights of Kuoilang, north-east of Anpei. Taking advantage of the topographical condition of the area, the Chinese are offering stiff resistance and successfully holding up the Japanese advance. The Japanese are reported to have suffered severe casualties as a result of vigorous Chinese counter-attacks.

### Warship In Action

MILO, Dec. 10 (Central News).—Japanese activities on Tungting Lake in north Hunan, culminated in an attack on Kiumachui last Sunday.

The invaders covered by a warship, were repulsed by the Chinese. Later in the day, the warship laid a heavy barrage on Chinese shore positions but was forced to steam away from intense Chinese fire.

In central Hupeh, a heavy gun duel took place between the Chinese and Japanese forces across the Yangtze River at Shasi on November 8.

## LATE NEWS

## British Cruiser Said To Be Overhauling Nazi Raider

Special to the "Telegraph"

MONTEVIDEO, Dec. 9 (UP).—There appears to be every possibility that retribution is swiftly overtaking the Nazi raider which attacked and damaged the Carnarvon Castle.

It is unofficially reported that the British cruiser Enterprise last night sent a radio message to the officers of the Carnarvon Castle that she was overtaking the German raider which had engaged the British auxiliary cruiser during the week-end, and had then run away.

## NINE HOSPITALS HIT IN RAID

Dastardly Work By Nazis

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—Latest reports show that nine hospitals were bombed by the Nazi "Kultur" raiders last night.

In one instance many casualties were caused among both patients and staff, owing to a direct hit being scored.

Many of the injured have now been extricated from the debris.

Another hospital was hit by three high explosive bombs and several incendiaries.

Yet another received the full impact of high explosives which cut the building in half.

### Churches And A Convent Hit

Four churches, a convent and three vicarages suffered damage in the London raids.

Two hundred and fifty persons were sheltering in the crypt of a church and escaped when a shower of incendiary bombs and high explosives dropped on the church and adjoining commercial buildings.

### 100 Raiders In Action

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—It is estimated that 100 German bombers participated in last night's attacks on London with very heavy calibre bombs.

### German Boast

BERLIN, Dec. 9 (UP).—Informed German circles state the Luftwaffe dropped 700,000 kilograms of high explosives and between 80,000 and 100,000 incendiary bombs on London last night and this morning.

### Quiet Last Night

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—London area was still without alarm at 9 p.m. No planes were reported anywhere over Britain so far, although flying conditions appear to be good.

### 17 Hours Relief

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Dec. 10 (UP).—No German raiders have been reported up to midnight anywhere in Britain, making over 17 hours without alarm.

## Plain Policy Of U. S. Towards Vichy Govt.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The American policy towards France is stated by some well-informed persons to be threefold.

Firstly, to make it widely known that American friendship will be sacrificed in the event of French military co-operation with Germany.

Secondly, to give some tangible evidence of goodwill, for example, the distribution of milk to French children and medical supplies for French sick.

Thirdly, to strengthen French Colonies to enable them better to resist Laval's efforts to induce them to join any arrangement to assist Germany.

### Leahy's Task

It is now generally accepted here that the appointment of Admiral Leahy as Ambassador to Vichy is at least partly designed to strengthen the influence of Pétain at the expense of Axis-minded Laval.

Now comes a report that Mr. Robert Murphy, newly appointed Counselor of the Embassy to Vichy will visit North Africa en route ostensibly to examine conditions there, but he will doubtless see General Weygand and discuss the

## BRAZIL'S GESTURE

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The Brazilian Government has decided to appoint Charges d'Affaires to Norway, Holland and Poland in London. The decision may be regarded as an extremely friendly gesture by Brazil to Britain.

This is the first visible outcome of the Willingdon mission's visit to Brazil, and shows the sympathy which one of the largest South American nations feels for Britain in her struggle against the Dictators.

## Canadian Airmen Welcomed

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. to-day welcomed more Canadian airmen, trained under the Empire Air Training Scheme as fully qualified pilots and craftsmen.

They will join R.A.F. units in various parts of the country. All said that they were itching to get at Jerry. It is almost certain that they will find whatever unit they may be sent to it other Canadians and men from the dominions who have already hit the enemy hand in bombers or fighters.

## Mystery Submarine

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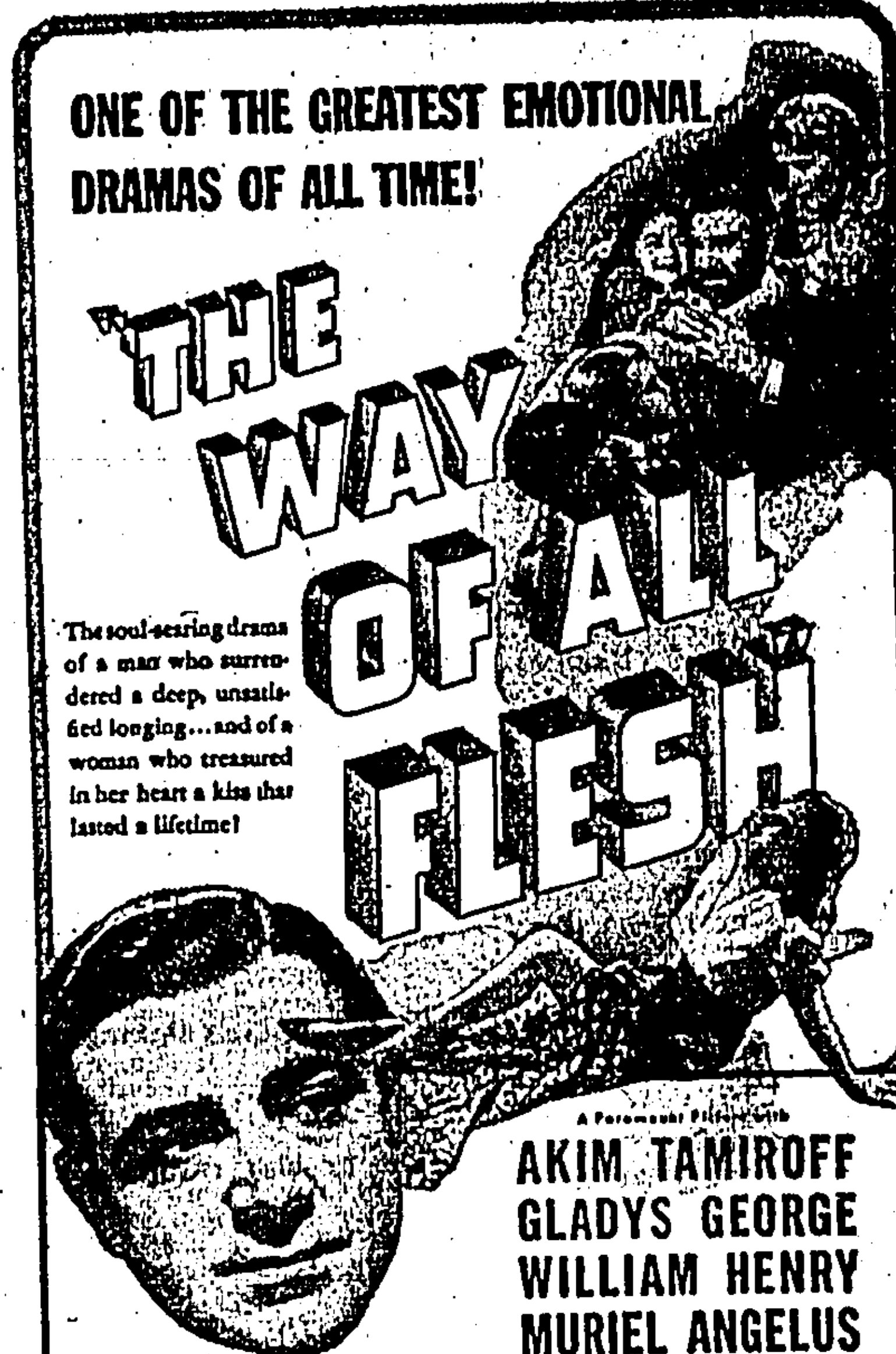
HAVANA, Dec. 9 (UP).—The chief of the Manzanilla naval station reported to-day that a submarine of unknown nationality is navigating off the south Cuban coast between Manzanilla and Santa Cruz del Sur.

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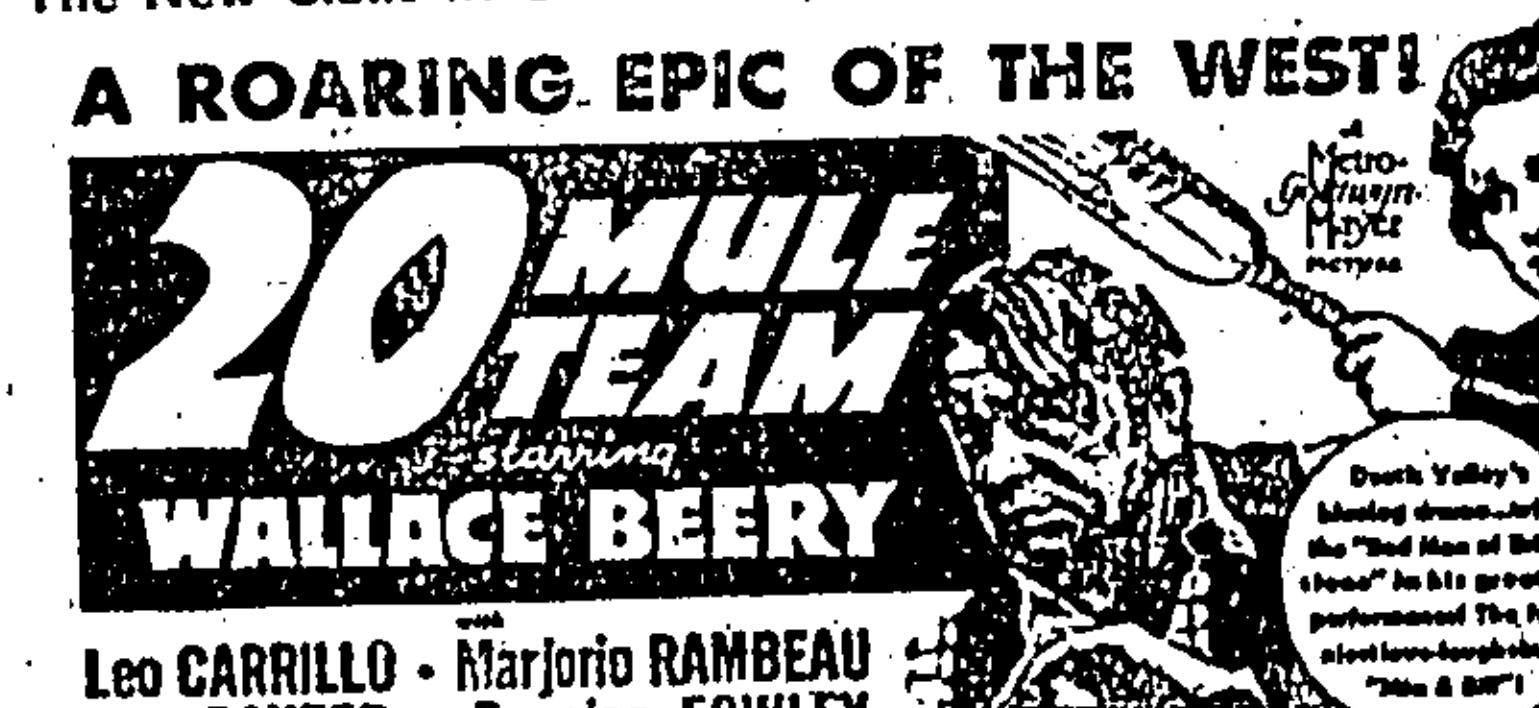
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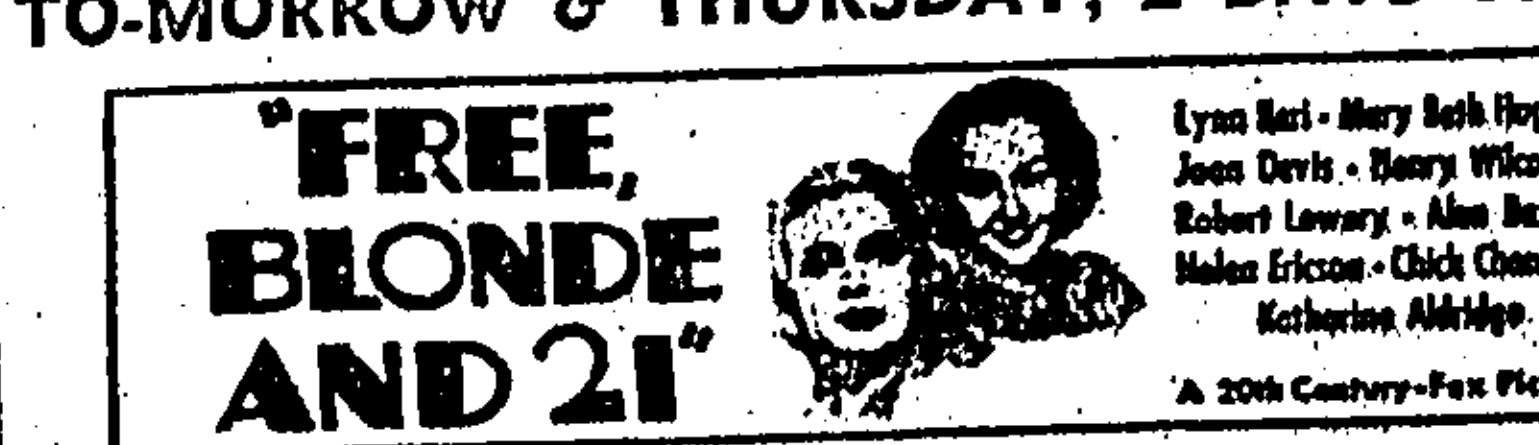
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# 800 ALBANIAN REBELS AMBUSH ITALIANS: GREEKS PUSH FORWARD

**Special to the "Telegraph"**

STRUGA, DEC. 9 (UP).—FRONTIER REPORTS SAY THAT 800 ALBANIAN REBELS TO-DAY AMBUSHED THE ITALIANS WHO ARE RETREATING FROM SANTE QUARANTI, KILLING THREE OFFICERS AND 87 SOLDIERS AND WOUNDING 170, WHILE 75 REBELS WERE KILLED AND 190 WOUNDED.

## Italy Must Lose The Dodecanese Islands

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

ANKARA, Dec. 9 (UP).—Well informed Turkish circles predict that Italy will be forced to surrender the Dodecanese Islands within two or three months.

They said that neither Italian nor neutral ships are reaching the Italian garrison there, which is estimated to be over 20,000 men, plus many civilians.

Political circles welcomed reports from Sofia that Bulgaria wishes to remain out of the war and is more than willing to meet Turkey half way in order to improve relations.

## BRAZIL'S GESTURE

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The Brazilian Government has decided to appoint Charges d'Affaires to Norway, Holland and Poland in London. The decision may be regarded as an extremely friendly gesture by Brazil to Britain.

This is the first visible outcome of the Willingdon mission's visit to Brazil, and shows the sympathy which one of the largest South American nations feels for Britain in her struggle against the Dictators.

## Canadian Airmen Welcomed

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. to-day welcomed more Canadian airmen, trained under the Empire Air Training Scheme as fully qualified pilots and craftsmen.

They will join R.A.F. units in various parts of the country. All said that they were itching to get at Jerry. It is almost certain that they will find whatever unit they may be sent to it other Canadians and men from the dominions who have already hit the enemy hand in bombers or fighters.

## Danish Nazis Jeered By Demonstrators

**"United Press" Staff Correspondent**

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 9 (UP).—Several thousand Haderslev citizens massed outside the Haderslev gaol until four a.m. this morning singing Danish national songs, cheering the police, and jeering the Danish Nazis who were being questioned by Police Chief Neß Hartmann in connection with last night's battle, in which six policemen and a number of Nazis were injured and 350 gaoled.

The first clash between the demonstrators and police occurred on Sunday when a handful of gendarmes attempted to halt the march of several hundred Nazis from neighbouring towns into Haderslev. The gendarmes battled with the demonstrators until midnight.

**Many Nazis Arrested**

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Many Nazis were taken into custody after a disturbance at Haderslev. Danish Conservatives held a meeting on Sunday, and 15,000 people

It is reported the Greeks who are advancing northward from Argyro-Castron, last night broke through the weak Italian resistance and occupied the village of Subasi, capturing one Italian officer and 70 soldiers.

In the Moshopolis sector the Greeks are advancing along the Devoli river and early this morning occupied the village of Bersnik.

In the Premeti sector the Greeks from the Dangli mountains have now swung westward and are only six miles from the junction of the roads to Tepelini and Beret, and about 12 miles from Tepelini. The Greeks, who last Thursday occupied the village of Sopot, have continued their infiltration down the Gostina Valley.

**GREEK'S CAUTIOUS ADVANCE**

**"REUTERS" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT**

ATHENS, Dec. 9.—The Greeks are advancing cautiously towards Chimarra, 22 miles west of Argyro-Castron on the coast between Sante Quaranti and Valona.

The movement threatens the flank of the Italians who are withdrawing northward from Sante Quaranti. Reports indicate that the Italian rearwards are stubbornly resisting the Greek push and are employing tactics designed to draw on small detachments of Greeks which would be vulnerable to counter-attack.

A cavalry screen has been thrown out by the Greeks in order to counter this plan. Bitter fighting is raging in the centre of the present 80 mile long front where Italian resistance is reported to be very fierce.

An indication of the actual position however, is seen in orders found in the possession of an Italian officer captured at Premeti instructing him to shoot any Italian who "unnecessarily retired."

**Rome Admission**

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

ROME, Dec. 9 (UP).—The Italians have withdrawn from Argyro-Castron to a line apparently aimed at the defence of Valona, one of the two main Albanian ports.

According to despatches from Tirana, the withdrawal was carried out in the snow-covered roads in the mountains after the bloodiest hand to hand fighting of the entire Italian-Greek war. A rear-guard action aided by hundreds of planes held back the repeated Greek attacks. The communique emphasizes that there were no losses in men or materials.

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## British Cruiser Said To Be Overhauling Nazi Raider

**Special to the "Telegraph"**

MONTEVIDEO, Dec. 9 (UP).—There appears to be every possibility that retribution is swiftly overtaking the Nazi raider which attacked and damaged the Carnarvon Castle.

It is unofficially reported that the British cruiser Enterprise last night sent a radio message to the officers of the Carnarvon Castle that she was overtaking the German raider which had engaged the British auxiliary cruiser during the week-end, and had then run away.

## Dusseldorf Factories Left In Flames

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—"We clouted Dusseldorf good and hard" said one pilot of the British bomber planes which attacked last night on the large industrial area of Dusseldorf.

The raid began shortly after 6 p.m. in bright moonlight. Visibility was excellent and the Rhine bridges were clearly distinguished, one crew bombing from a height of several thousand feet was actually able to see flames streaming from windows of a factory in the area of the chief target, which was again blast furnaces of a steel works manufacturing railway and shipping equipment and other war material.

Three large fires and many small ones followed the bursting of the first bombs, and British aircraft then crowded in in quick succession, says the Air Ministry, dropping heavy bombs accurately on the steel works, and pelting the entire area with hundreds of incendiary bombs.

Great banks of smoke obscured the scene for some of the latecomers, but the pilots generally did not meet this trouble, and as they returned to their base, one after another reported great destruction, and stated that from 30 or 40 miles away it was plain that many fires had taken firm hold.

**U-Boat Bases**

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. made a return visit to German U-boat bases at Brest and Lorient on Sunday night—which were attacked only 24 hours before—as well as to that at Bordeaux.

A great fire was started among the buildings between two of the dock basins at Bordeaux; and at Brest the roof of one of the dockside buildings was seen to fall in, while other bombs struck around the port military and naval barracks and dry docks.

**Bordeaux Raid**

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—The Air Ministry reported to-day that many

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**NAZI IDEA OF "KULTUR"**

Here is a particularly illuminating example of the Nazis' idea of Kultur. The picture shows St. Thomas's Hospital in London after it had been hit by bombs. The hospital was badly damaged and there were casualties. On Sunday night and Monday morning the Nazi raiders repeated this sort of thing on nine other London hospitals.



# British Start Offensive In West Desert

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

LONDON, Dec. 10 (UP).—British troops have taken the offensive in the Western Desert, according to very reliable sources in London.

The operation is described as being on a "rather large scale."

**500 Italians Captured**

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—A bag of 500 Italian prisoners was secured by the British in operations in the Western Desert. The prisoners were taken in an engagement south of Sidi Barrani. A communique states that advance elements of the British forces are now in contact with the Italians on "a broad front."

In the Sudan, British patrols have continued extensive activities in the Gallabat area and British artillery again successfully engaged enemy targets.

**Aerodrome Attacked**

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—R.A.F. bombers attacked the Benina aerodrome in the Western Desert on the night of December 8. One hangar was completely burned out, and three other fires were started, announces the R.A.F. Egyptian headquarters.

Incendiary and high explosive bombs also fell among aircraft, while one was set on fire.

The Rhodesian Squadron bombed Adardeb in Italian East Africa, achieving a direct hit on a machine gun post. Several fires were started, and bombs fell among stores, dumps and a second machine gun post was silenced by machine gun fire from the R.A.F. aircraft.

Asmara was attacked on December 7 causing a fire in the hangars while a petrol fire was started.

Enemy fighters were intercepted during the raid and one R.A.F. plane was shot down.

**Operations Extending**

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Operations in the Western Desert are expected to continue.

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## NINE HOSPITALS HIT IN RAID

**Dastardly Work By Nazis**

**Special to the "Telegraph"**

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—Latest reports show that nine hospitals were bombed by the Nazi "Kultur" raiders last night.

In one instance many casualties were caused among both patients and staff, owing to a direct hit being scored.

Many of the injured have now been extricated from the debris. Another hospital was hit by three high explosive bombs and several incendiaries.

Yet another received the full impact of high explosives which cut the building in half.

**Churches And A Convent Hit**

Four churches, a convent and three vicarages suffered damage in the London raids.

Two hundred and fifty persons were sheltering in the crypt of a church and escaped when a shower of incendiary bombs and high explosives dropped on the church and adjoining commercial buildings.

**100 Raiders In Action**

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—It is estimated that 100 German bombers participated in last night's attacks on London with very heavy calibre bombs.

**German Boast**

BERLIN, Dec. 9 (UP).—Informed German circles state the Luftwaffe dropped 700,000 kilograms of high explosives and between 80,000 and 100,000 incendiary bombs on London last night and this morning.

**Quiet Last Night**

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—London area was still without alarm at 9 p.m. No planes were reported anywhere over Britain so far, although flying conditions appear to be good.

## BADOGGIO & BALBO

ROME, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Marshal Badoglio paid Mussolini a farewell visit to-day and they had a cordial talk, according to an Italian official news agency.

Mussolini has posthumously awarded a gold medal of military valour to Air Marshal Balbo.

In the announcement, Marshal Balbo is referred to as "a faithful soldier of the Duce" who made "the supreme sacrifice of his heroic life while preparing to hurl gallant troops and air squadrons across the frontier."

## Indo-China Warns Thailand Will Meet Force With Force

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

HANOI, Dec. 9 (Dome).—"Now that things have come to this pass French Indo-China will be obliged to answer the use of force by Thailand with force," M. Silvester de Sacy, chief of publicity of the French Indo-China Government, declared to-day.

"We have answered the Thai bombardment of Vientiane with the bombardment of Lakhoon," M. de Sacy said. "This does not mean, however, that the diplomatic relations with Thailand have been broken off, nor does it mean abandonment of intentions to carry on negotiations. French Indo-China is fully prepared to bring about peace."

## SOVIET BORDER INCIDENT

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

MOSCOW, Dec. 9 (UP).—The newspaper "Lenin's Banner" at Bialo is reported to have published the killing of one, and the capture alive of two alleged armed spies, who tried to enter the Soviet Union from a neighbouring foreign State.

## Typhoons Play Havoc With Clipper Service

Typhoons in the Manila and Guam areas have temporarily dislocated the Pan-American Airways Clipper service, it was officially revealed in Hongkong this morning.

The local office of Pan-American Airways is anxiously awaiting word from their Guam Island base as to the intensity, and possible damage caused by a severe typhoon which was due to pass directly over the island during the early part of last night.

This will be the second of a series of severe typhoons to strike Guam, and is greatly hampering the operation of the trans-Pacific schedule, with the California Clipper delayed at Wake Island.

In addition to this typhoon, the recent cyclone in the Manila area has caused Pan-American Airways to be completely out of touch with one of their radio stations located on a remote island which was directly in the path of the typhoon.

The California Clipper, which was scheduled to arrive in Hongkong on Thursday, cannot possibly arrive before Friday, or even later, depending upon the course of the cyclone in the Guam area.

## Il Duce May Go To Albania

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

ROME, Dec. 9 (UP).—It is reliably reported that Benito Mussolini may make an inspection tour of the Albanian front within the next few days.

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Watsons \$10.50/55

## Altar Light Broke Black-Out

The reflection of lights burning over the altar of the Church of the Holy Spirit, Exeter, was seen through side windows by a policeman.

He smashed the door panels and put out the lights.

Beatrice Brown, of Sidwell-street, Exeter, appeared in court accused of the offence.

On her behalf it was stated that the lights must have been switched on by someone who entered the church with felonious intent.

The case was dismissed, the magistrate saying it was for the police to consider whether all the members of the church should be summoned.

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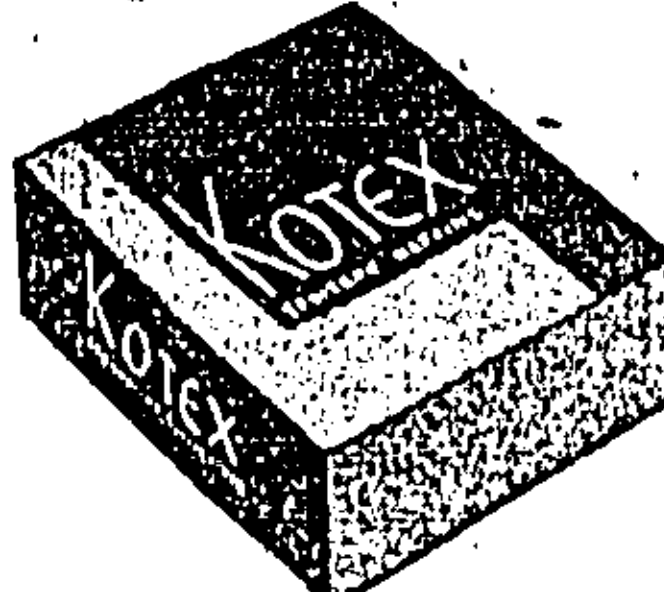
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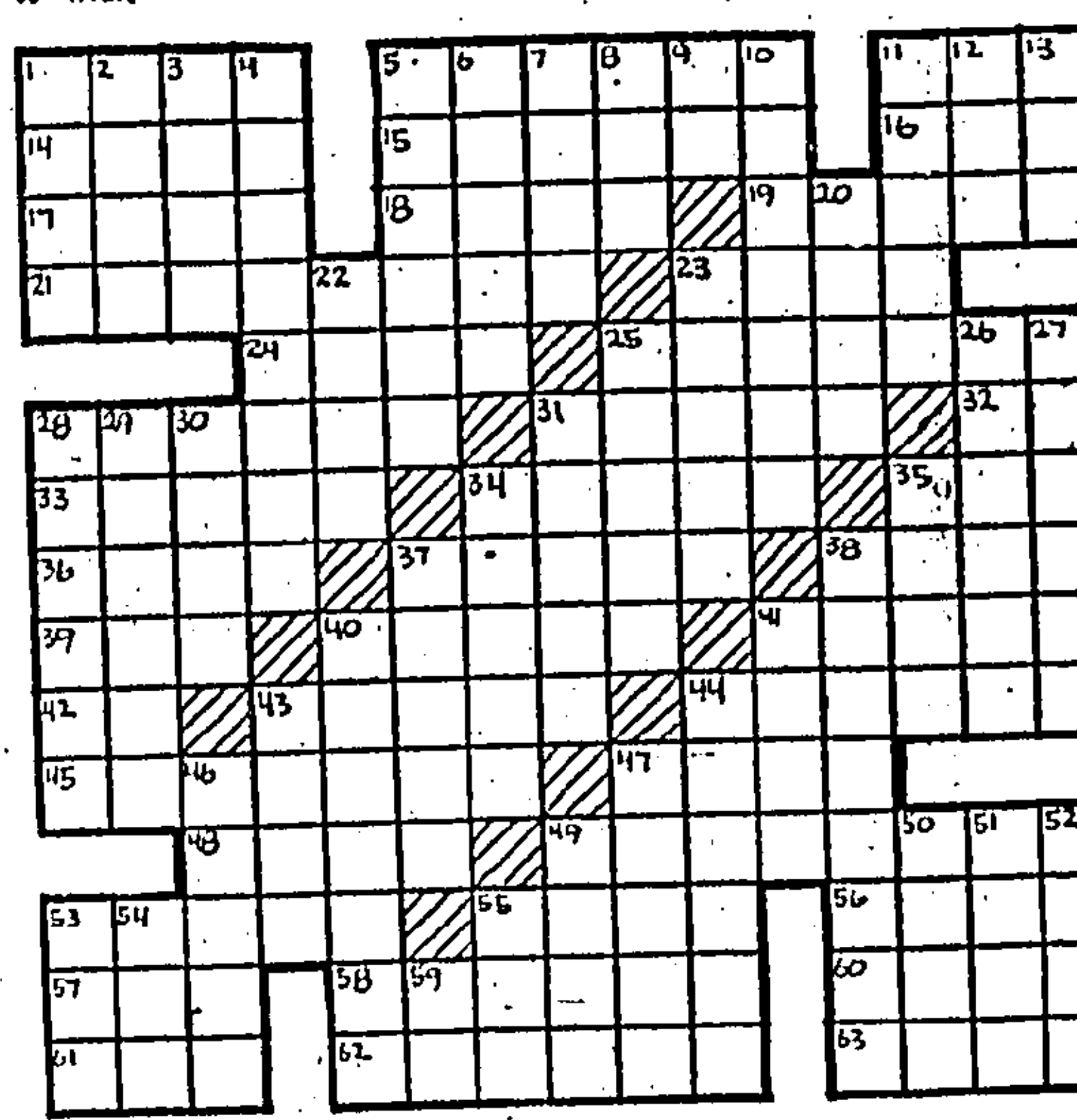
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- One who bears with patience
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- Egyptian city
- Those who grow thin with grief
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- Italian coin
- Causing commitment
- Write again
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- Vine-shaped
- Part of eye
- Substance in bile
- One who escapes
- Those who furnish
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### Car Leaves Road

Losing control of his car, Mr. E. V. M. de Sousa, of Granville Road, narrowly escaped serious injuries yesterday when the vehicle left the road and ran into a ditch near Shin Station. The car was badly damaged.

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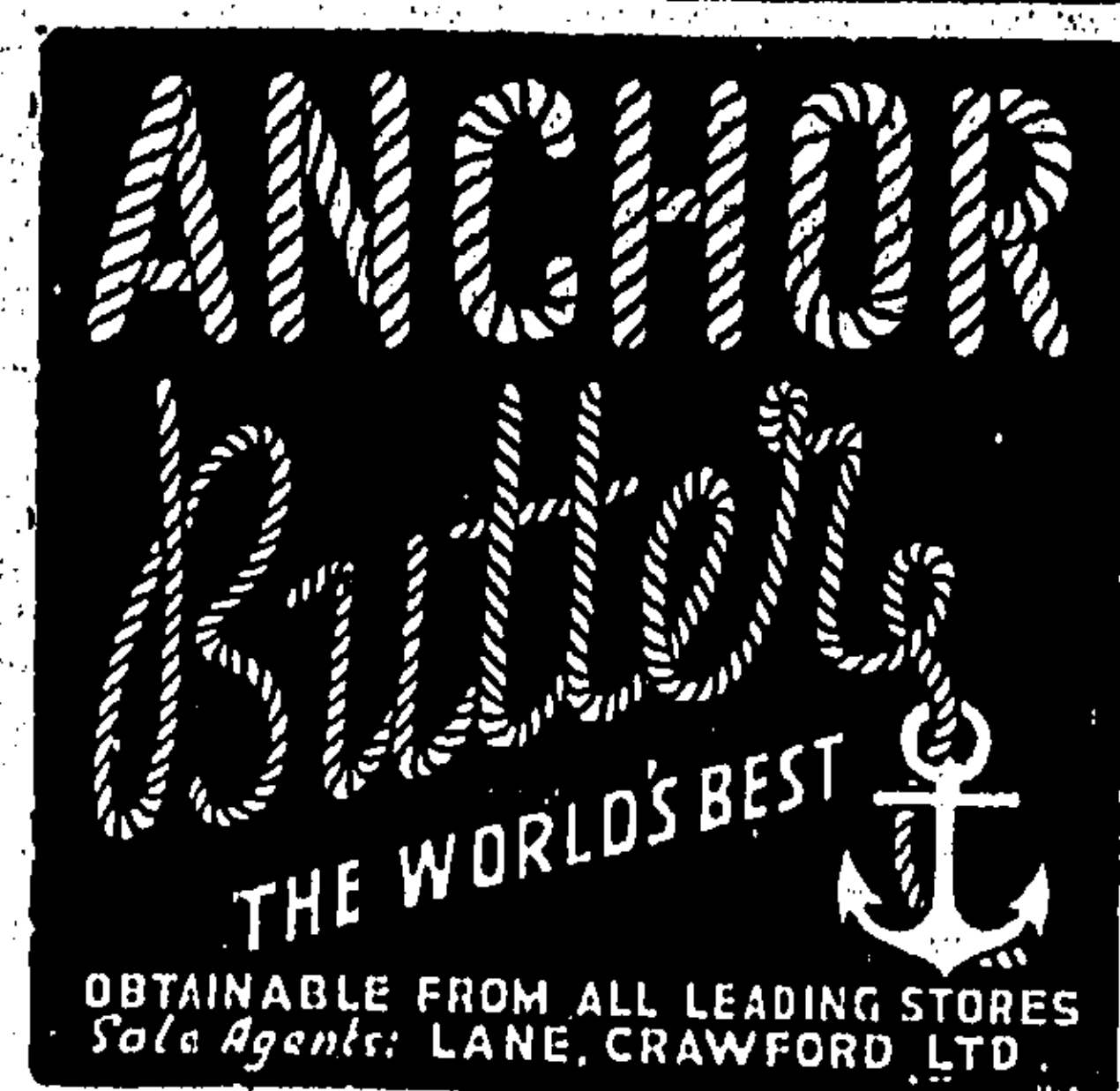
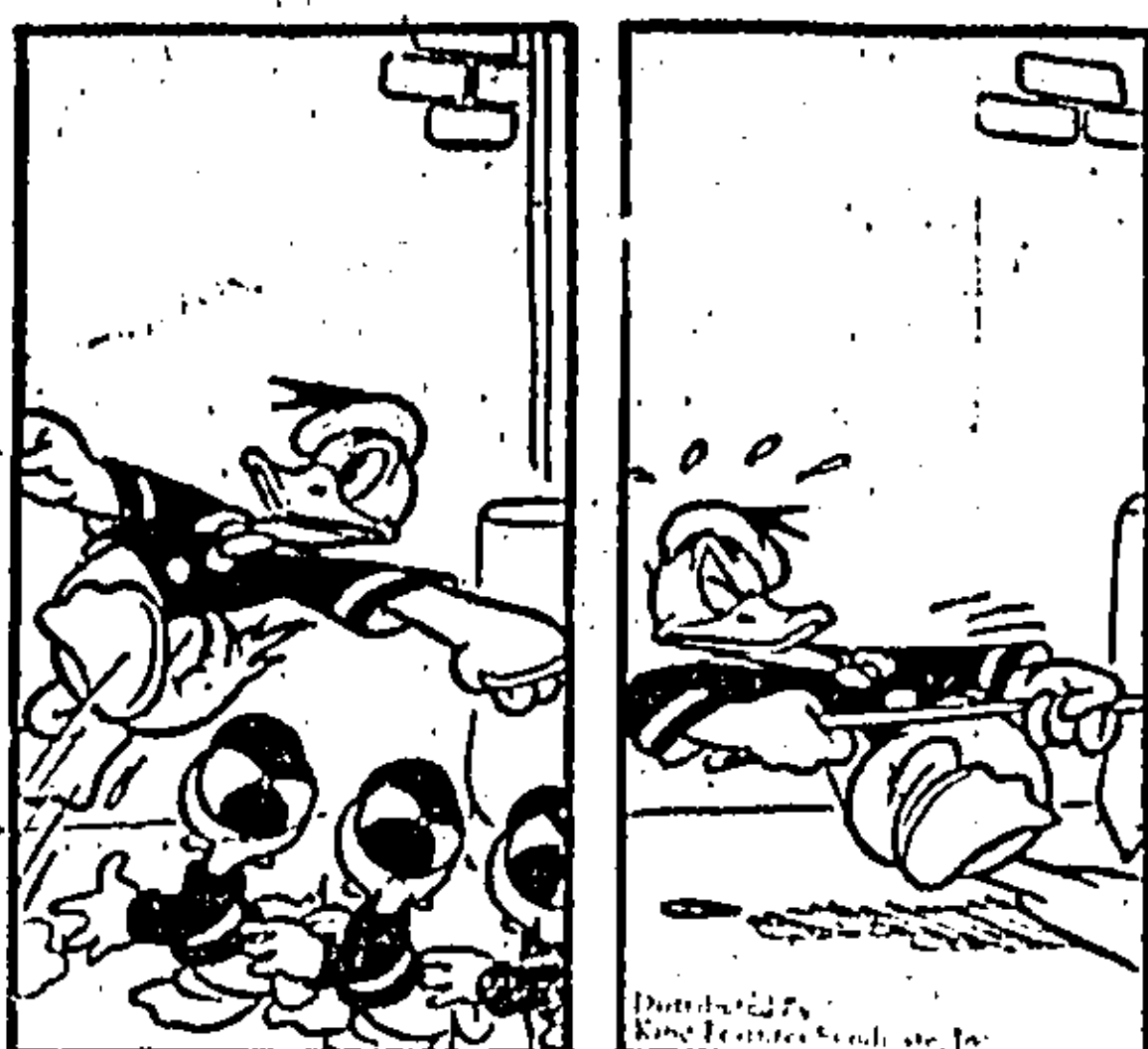
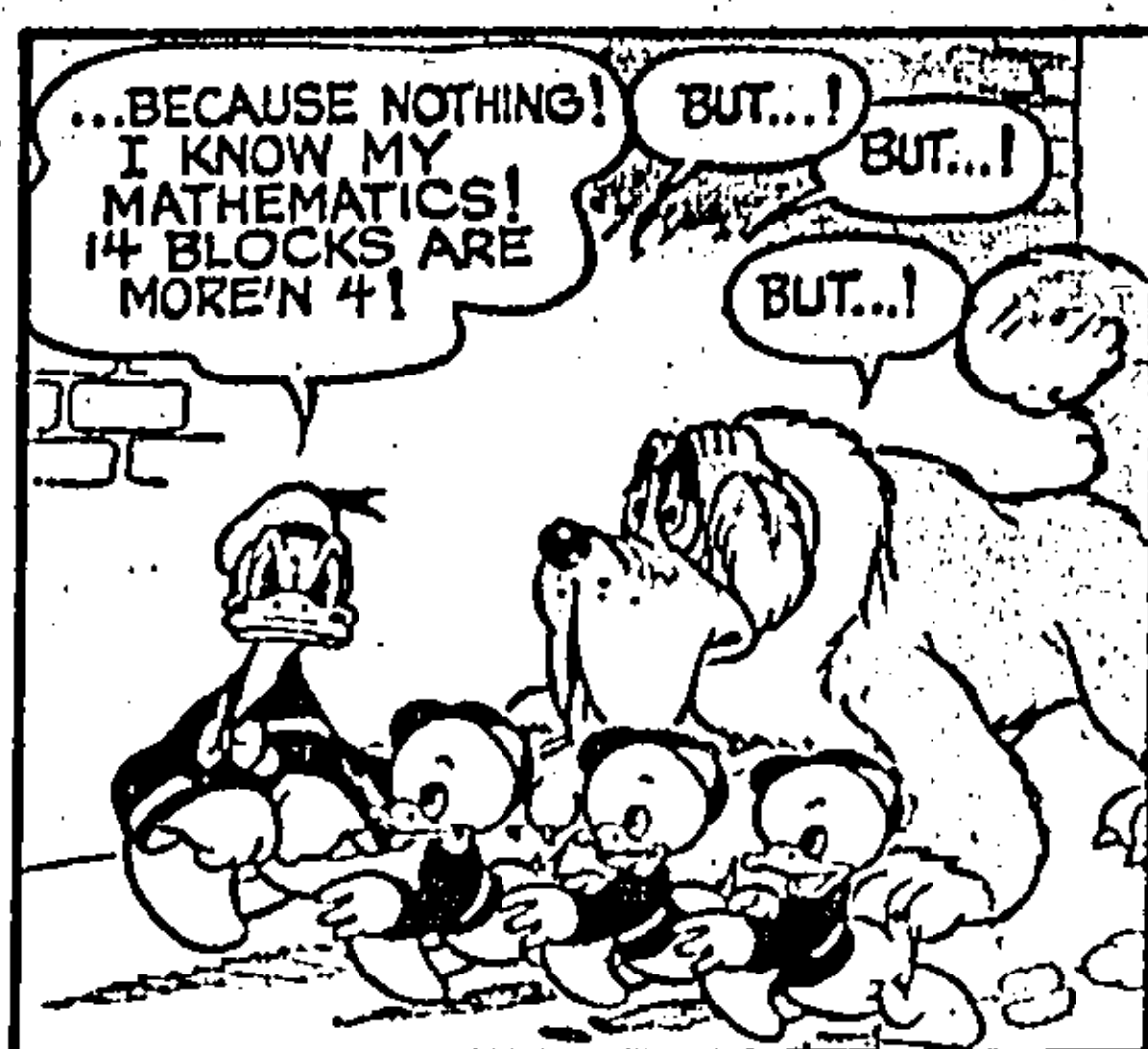
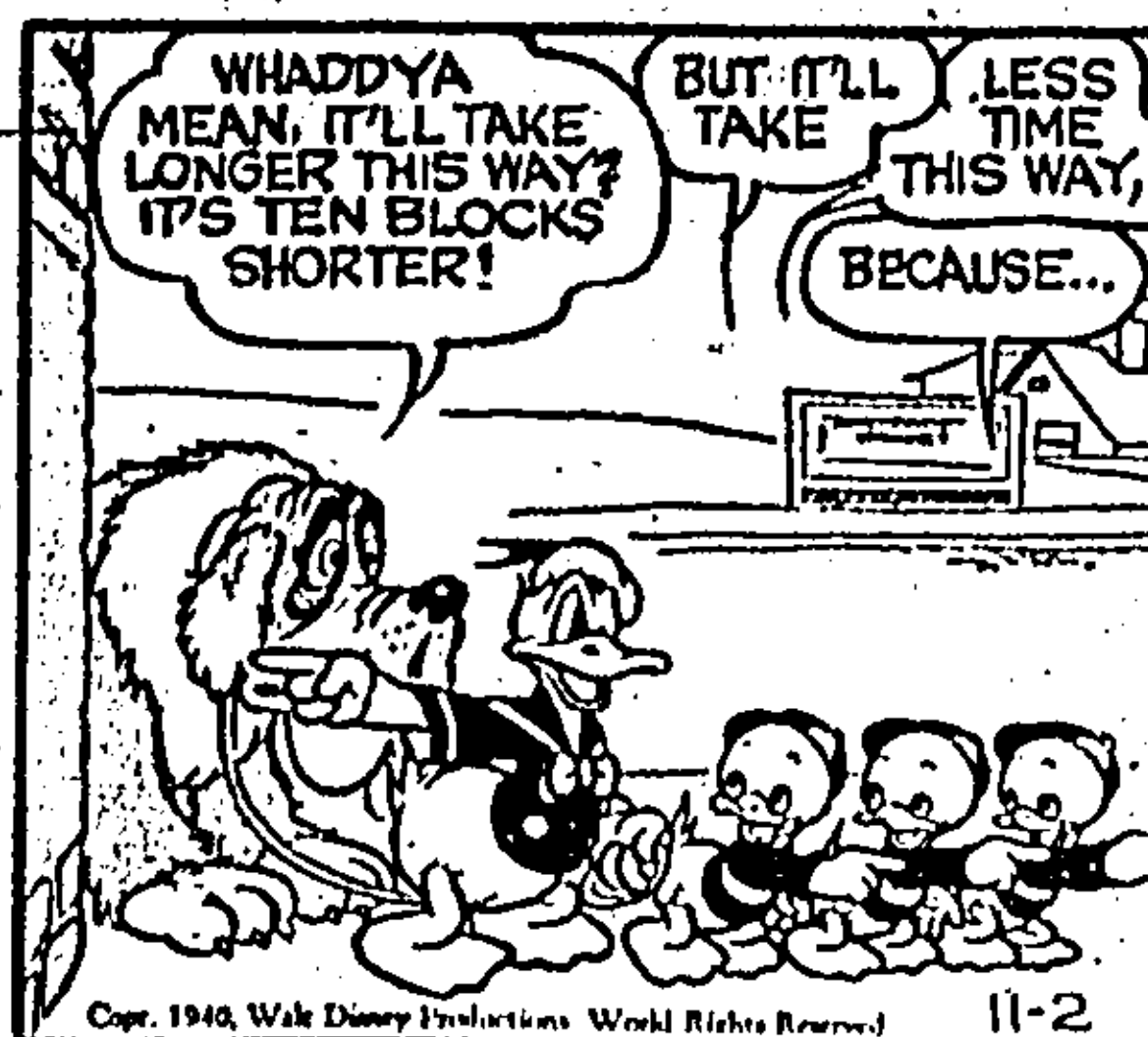
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## RESUME

Two rich London bachelors, Mr. Darcy and Mr. Bingley, arrive with the latter's sister to take up residence at the Netherfield Park Estate in Meryton Village. Since marriage is a girl's only career in the 1800's, Mrs. Bennet, mother of five marriageable daughters—Elizabeth, Jane, Mary, Lydia and Kitty—is in a turmoil of excitement. Despite Mr. Bennet's protest, she campaigns vigorously to win the bachelors for witty Elizabeth and beautiful Jane. Jane and Bingley fall in love at first sight; but Darcy's arrogant pride prejudices Elizabeth against him. She is further incensed when he deliberately snubs Mr. Wickham, friend of her sister Lydia. Miss Bingley invites Jane to visit her.

## Chapter Two.

## TARGET PRACTICE

The great and fateful day when Jane was to visit Miss Bingley at Netherfield Park, dawned gray, cold and weighed with rain clouds. The weather afforded Mrs. Bennet a brilliant idea.

"Jane shall ride over on horseback. Then, if it rains, she won't be able to come home after dinner. They'll have to keep her for the night—and there's really nothing like wet weather for engagement!"

So, on horseback went Jane; not only did she remain for the night, she stayed for the week. Her exposure to the rain resulted in a cold that confined her to bed at Netherfield Park. And, if streaming eyes, red nose, sneezes and wheezes are not the things of which romance is made, Charles Bingley seemed totally unaware of it.

Red nose or no, he was enchanted with her, visiting the sick room at every opportunity. His delight was no nothing compared to Mrs. Bennet's.

"Mr. Bennet!" she cried to her husband as she poured their breakfast coffee. "I've just received a note from Mr. Bingley. He asks permission to give a garden party and ball for Jane just as soon as she's well!" She sighed. "Such a happy idea of mine to send her off in the rain!"

Mr. Bennet emerged from behind his copy of the Times. "But to Jane must go all the credit for having caught the cold, my dear," he observed sarcastically.

Certainly, Bingley hoped Jane's visit would go on forever. But Mrs. Bennet, a general marshalling forces for victory, recalled Jane for the one reason that would whet Bingley's jealousy, heighten his ardour and goad him into a declaration.

She placed a rival in his path. Cousin Collins, the clergyman to whom the Bennet estate was entailed, arrived for a visit. Elizabeth was dispatched to fetch Jane under the pretext that her sister must meet the male and marriageable relative who was the Bennet house guest.

Poor Mr. Bingley reacted to the news in the manner hoped for. While he did not quite declare himself, his attentions to and concern for Jane reached a peak that infuriated his sister and sent Darcy's eyebrows on the rise.

Cousin Collins proved to be a scolding, bowing, obnoxious, self-important bore. At first meeting,

he set his heart on Elizabeth. Mrs. Bennet, determined that one of her daughters should marry him in order to keep the estate within the family, was in a fever of joy—until Elizabeth declared with finality that if she died unmarried, she'd never be Mrs. Collins.

Charlotte Lucas, her dearest friend, came to her rescue. Mr. Collins, finding himself the object of Charlotte's concern, promptly forgot Elizabeth. Charlotte was lovely, he decided; a bit old—on the late twentieth side—practically a spinster—but a lovely girl.

Mrs. Bennet, drowned in this defeat in the plan of Bingley's continued attention to Jane—attentions climaxed by the garden party honouring her complete recovery.

It was a splendid party! Mrs. Bennet could have hoped for nothing finer! Mr. Bingley had eyes for no one except Jane!

It proved once and for all, that she was right in her campaign. Would Jane be basking in the glow of Bingley's admiration if Mrs. Bennet had listened to her husband? In the future, that worthy, hiding behind a mass of unintelligible tones and treatises, had better leave such matters to her!

So great was her delight in Bingley and Jane that she closed her eyes to the mad caperings of Kitty and Lydia who flirted outrageously with uniformed officers; that she lost sight of pedantic Mary's woeful shortcomings as a beauty; that she even forgot to scold Elizabeth for being as coolly aloof as her father.

None of the day's drama was lost on Elizabeth. She sought refuge from her mother's ecstasy, from Mary's stupidity, from Lydia's and Kitty's boisterousness, on the archery field. As she made her way to the stand of bows and arrows, Darcy greeted her.

"Would you like a little target practice?" he asked pleasantly.

"Yes," she replied, somewhat taken aback by his friendly manner. "Are you a good shot with the bow, Mr. Darcy?"

"Tolerable," he answered.

"Only tolerable?" she questioned mischievously.

"Well," he expanded, "it's a fine old sport and one in which even a young lady can become proficient."

"So I've heard," she said gravely.

"At short range, of course," he added. "And with a light bow."

He fitted an arrow and took aim.

"What a bad shot!" he said in annoyance as the arrow missed the target and landed in the side of the knoll beyond. He handed her the bow. Would you like to try it?"

She nodded, an implicit smile lighting her face.

"Place the bow in the left hand," he instructed sententiously. "And the arrow goes like this—and these two fingers go. Now—left arm straight. Stand sideways and aim at the bull's eye."

He paused, taking in the picture of her as she

strained to follow his instructions. "That's right," he approved. "Now shoot."

Elizabeth let go the arrow.

It landed in the very heart of the target.

"A Bull's Eye!" he cried.

Without pausing, Elizabeth picked up a second arrow, and shot it to split the first one.

Darcy stared incredulously from her to the target, then laughed with delight.

"Next time I talk to a young lady about archery, I won't be so patronizing," he promised. "Thank you for the lesson."

Elizabeth, disarmed by his friendliness, smiled warmly at him.

## PRIDE AND PREJUDICE

Adapted from the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Picture

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"Thank you for taking it so well. Most men would have been offended."

"Miss Elizabeth," he said, suddenly serious, "would you mind telling me why you're so determined to offend me?"

"I'm sorry, Mr. Darcy. But playing tricks on people is one of my besetting sins."

Her evasion was not lost on him. "Well—may I ask how long you've been practising archery?" he asked pleasantly.

"Since I was six," she laughed.

"And what else have you been doing since you were six?"

"Oh, nothing in particular. Living—laughing—I laugh—a good deal, you know."

His glance was frankly admiring. "So I should imagine."

"It's none of my business, of course," she smiled, "but I should say, Mr. Darcy, that you didn't laugh enough."

Miss Bingley joined them. "Hello," Darcy greeted. "Miss Elizabeth was just saying she thinks I don't laugh enough."

Caroline, eyed Elizabeth frigidly. "I should be very sorry if you laughed more than you do, Mr. Darcy. There is something so unreluctant about excessive laughter."

"If you want to be really refined," Elizabeth countered, "you've got to be dead. There's nobody so dignified and distinguished as a mummy. And now, Mr. Darcy, may I ask you a question?"

What would be your opinion of a man who had everything—birth, breeding, wealth, charm—and yet who refused to accept an introduction to another man who was poor and of no consequence?"

Darcy flushed. "I would form no opinion until I knew the circumstances of the particular case," he replied coldly. "And now, if you will excuse me, I shall retrieve the arrows."

Elizabeth watched him go thoughtfully.

"Miss Eliza," observed Miss Bingley. "May I warn you not to take George Wickham too seriously?"

"You know I referred to Mr. Wickham?" Elizabeth asked in astonishment. "You know that Mr. Darcy refused to meet him?"

"Of course. And I know, too, that he goes about saying Mr. Darcy has used him ill. While I'm ignorant of the particulars, I know what Mr. Wickham says is not true."

"Indeed!" Elizabeth's tone was icy. "Personally, I find Mr. Wickham a very pleasant, accomplished gentleman."

"Gentleman!" exclaimed Miss Bingley. "I'm afraid he must have neglected to tell you that he's the son of Mr. Darcy's late steward."

"Mr. Wickham gave me that information," Miss Bingley. And to me, a gentleman is one who has honour, generosity, truthfulness—whether he be of low or high descent."

She faced Darcy angrily as the latter approached the arrows in hand. "Mrs. Darcy! Miss Bingley would like a lesson in archery." She turned to Caroline.

"Follow your teacher's instructions, Miss Bingley, and you'll learn to direct your darts with great accuracy."

"Well!" cried Miss Bingley as Elizabeth, her head high, marched off. "Of all the insolence and bad manners. Pray, Mr. Darcy, what do you think of her now?"

"I think she handles a bow and arrow superbly," he replied carelessly, and smiled, after the retreating figure of Elizabeth.

Darcy's pride seems to be on the ebb—but will Elizabeth overcome her prejudice? Read to-morrow's chapter.

## BRITAIN DELIVERS THE GOODS

An excellent idea of how British manufacturers are carrying on in the midst of enemy bombings, and how successfully overseas orders are being fulfilled, is given in a letter, written in early October, from a Home manufacturer to a local British firm.

The letter, which is reproduced here, will enable readers to form an impression of the present conduct of business in Britain. Commercial firms in the Colony may also be interested in the advice given regarding cabling procedure and the regulations in respect of the recently-imposed Purchase Tax.

The manufacturer says:—Since we circumscribed you in July, despite the intensification of the enemy effort against this country, you will have observed there has been little change in our ability to maintain supplies to your market. The only real difficulty with which we have been confronted has been the logical diminution in shipping facilities from the Port of London. This, however, has been more in the nature of a domestic problem, as in the main we have been able to transfer the manufacture of our goods for export, normally made at our London works, to our Lancashire works. Where this was impossible our transport mightily made the journey from our London works to the Liverpool docks, and latterly with equal regularity such goods have been transferred by rail.

We mention this to impress upon you the comparative ease with which it is possible to cope with bombings in their present form. In our September shipment, your clients have the visible proof that the business of the country continues, that internal communication is functioning smoothly and, as ever, our Merchant Fleet continue to operate freely.

## Propaganda

The foregoing we stress in the hope that, no matter how slight, the propaganda effort of our country may be aided. We feel this necessary, as so frequently do we have evidence that our friends overseas are apt to overlook the obvious and, often through concern for this country, lend an ear to the insidious propaganda of Germany, Italy and their sympathisers. What the Axis have been unable to accomplish by deed there would appear to be an intensification of effort to achieve by their imaginative propaganda, which succeeds with every order we might normally expect, but, through prevailing conditions, is placed outside the country.

There have been recently lengthy delays in the receipt of overseas messages, which delays we believe are partially due to the Censorship authorities. We have lodged the most energetic protest both with Cable and Wireless, Ltd. and the Export Council, as we believe nothing can shake confidence overseas so much as failure to receive a reply to any given message within a reasonable period.

May we ask you to assist by wording messages as clearly as possible, at least with sufficient

clarity to avoid any doubt on the part of the Censorship authorities? We would further ask you to bear the possibility of delays in mind when anticipating replies.

Purchase Tax We understand that in collaboration with H.M. Government the Dominions have either given an assurance that our Purchase Tax will not be regarded as part of the dutiable value under existing Law, or had agreed to take steps to ensure that it should be excluded.

When the Purchase Tax is imposed over here we are accordingly adding the following to the end of Paragraph 4 of the combined Certificate of Value and Origin—

"This domestic value also includes £..... representing Purchase Tax not chargeable on goods for export."

The full value will then be shown in column declaring current domestic value of the article shipped, but duty should only be paid on this amount less Purchase Tax.

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## Increased Armoured Strength for the Army

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The attainment of a definite stage in the policy of rapidly increasing the armoured strength of the British Army is marked by a new appointment, namely, Commander of the Royal Armoured Corps.

The first occupant of this post will be Major General Giffard le Quesne Martel.

General Martel served on the staff of the Tank Corps in the last war and has been Deputy Director of mechanisation at the War Office.

It is also officially announced that Lieutenant General Alexander, who served with distinction in France and Belgium during the present war and was in command of the British Expeditionary Force during the last days of the evacuation from Dunkirk, is now appointed to the Southern Command, replacing General Auchinleck whose appointment as Commander-in-Chief of India was recently notified.

## STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—British Banking shares continue quickly to enjoy a revival of interest on the Stock Exchange, but otherwise generally dull conditions prevail with prices of most groups following gill edged securities to slightly lower levels.

Among foreign stocks Greeks and Chinese have hardened, others are firm.

Wall Street was firm.

## Dutch Submarine Reported Lost

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—The headquarters of the Royal Netherlands Navy announced the loss of an unidentified Netherlands submarine in war operations.

## Free Frenchmen

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—General de Gaulle and several other leading Free Frenchmen have been deprived of French nationality, said a Vichy radio announcement. The others include Admiral Cointreux and Colonel de Larminat.

## NAZIS IN RUMANIA

### Enjoy A Free Hand

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Germany can send an unlimited number of effectives into Rumania since the number is not restricted by any clause in the German-Rumanian pact signed in Berlin during the visit of General Antonescu, writes the Istanbul correspondent of the "Free France Agency."

The correspondent adds that the National Bank of Rumania has ordered new printing presses from Germany to increase the country's technical capacity for printing notes as the present capacity of nine million per day is insufficient to meet the territorial amputations, recent earth quakes and the German occupation.

### Iron Guard Mass Acres

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The Rumanian Commission of Inquiry into the "crimes committed against the Iron Guard" during the previous regime has been dissolved because all the indications of these crimes are either dead or have fled the country, states a Bucharest dispatch.

The last of the men against whom the Commission had proceeded were massacred by Iron Guard extremists in Jilava prison a fortnight ago.

## Italian Armistice Commission

ROME, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—General Camillo Grossi has been appointed President of the Italian Armistice Commission in Syria in succession to General Pietro Pintor who was killed in a plane crash on Sunday, according to an official Italian news agency.



SEIZED — Marshal Edward Smigly-Rydz, former chief of vanquished Polish army, arrested in Bucharest, Rumania, in alleged nation-wide espionage and sabotage plots. He joins growing list of Polish refugees seized in German-dominated Rumania.

## RUSSIA RATONS GASOLINE

### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Dec. 9 (UP).—The Supreme Economic Soviet has decreed the rationing of gasoline effective from December 1, allotting Government cars from 100 to 400 litres and private cars from 60 to 100 litres per month, depending on the horsepower.

The decree mentions only passenger cars and specifically excludes ambulances and fire engines. It forbids the transfer of gasoline reserves for buses, trucks and other uses.

## NANKING NOTES

SHANGHAI, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The Nanking Regime is issuing its own currency on January 15, according to a "Trans-Ocean" report from Nanking, but will continue recognising the Chungking Government notes for a certain period, after which Chungking notes will be exchanged at par for Nanking notes, and the former will be declared valueless in occupied territory.

## Plain Policy Of U. S. Towards Vichy Govt.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The American policy towards France is stated by some well-informed persons to be threefold.

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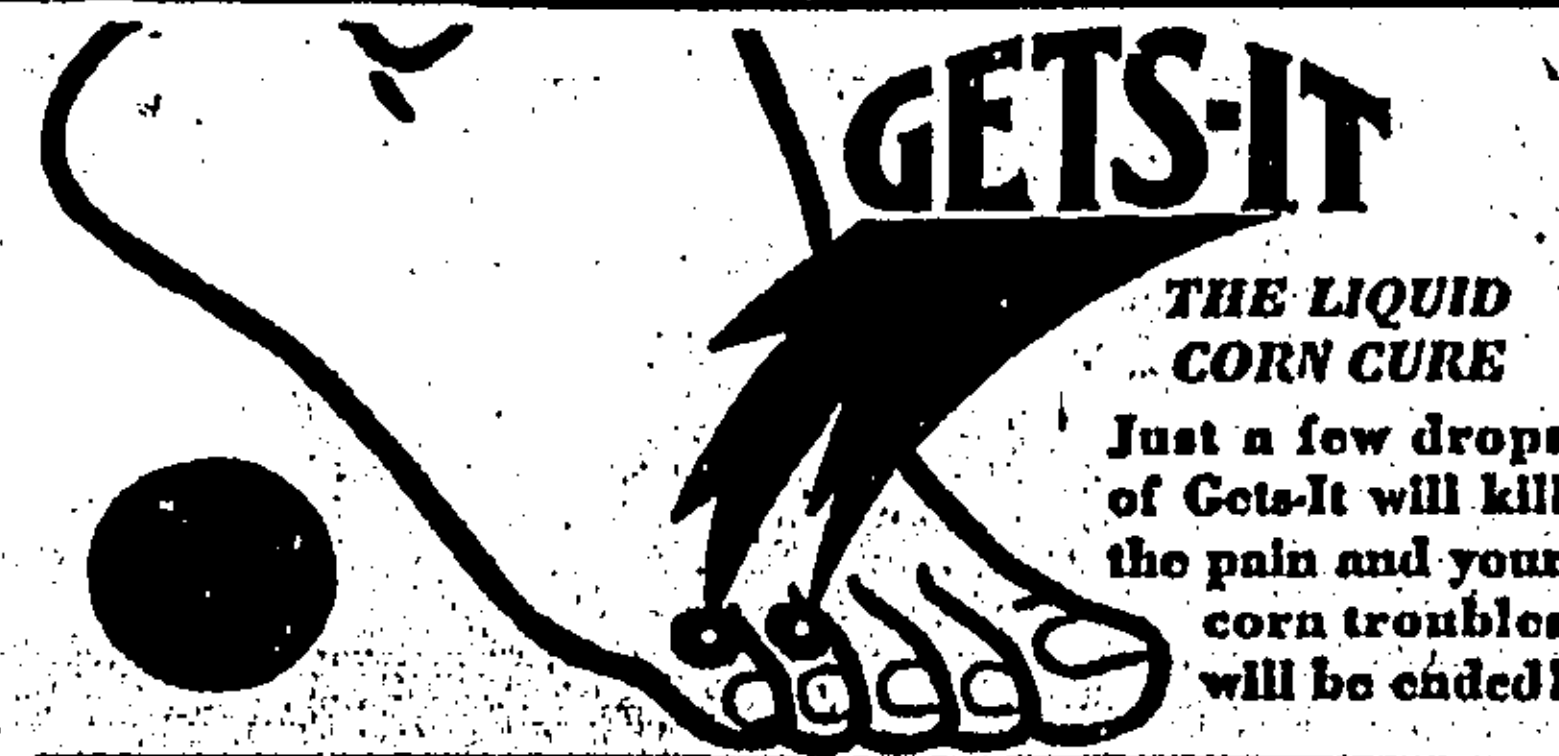
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## "R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

# Volunteer Camps Interfere Week-end Batting Honours To J. F. Lawrence And K. Y. Tam

Several teams were rather cut up by Camps on Saturday last and there was not anything of outstanding interest except the defeat of the Club by the University. The former side was really an A. side in charge of Major Grose—but they seemed perfectly safe in their declaration. But one had not counted on the extraordinary weakness of their bowling, or on the fact that the Varsity would take advantage of it to bring off a very stout batting performance. Two centuries in one Saturday afternoon game have been made several times before. But speaking from memory I think it is a good many years since a century was hit for the Varsity in what may practically rank as a first division game.

### N. SINGH BOWLS WELL

The change to opening batsman has certainly seemed to suit J. F. Lawrence very well. He hit up a very fine century against the University and was not dropped though he told me he put a dangerous one through the slips which did not quite go to hand. Grose, Booker and Bateman did little, all of them falling to N. Singh whom I believe to be Naranjan Singh whose batting in the second eleven I have been writing up as worthy of the first team. But among so many Singhs I rather lose the exact melody.

John Pearce however, stopped. He seems to be a very much improved batsman this year.

### SPORTS ADVT.

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### BILLIARDS SOCIAL AT Y. M. C. A.

THE EFFORTS of Mr. C. Terrans to rejuvenate billiards in the European Y.M.C.A. are being given expression this evening in the form of a Billiards Social, which commences at 8 p.m.

It is proposed to open the evening with a team match—six a side—and this is to be followed with two novelty contests.

Final item is to be an exhibition game, and in this Mr. M. N. Rakusen has consented to participate. It was hoped that A. J. Osmund, the well-known local billiards player, would be able to turn out but he is indisposed. However, another of Hongkong's better players is to appear, and a good match seems promised.

### Badminton Match Postponed

FIRST MATCH in the Badminton League, which was that between the University "B" and Reccolo in the "A" Division, and which was scheduled to take place last night, was postponed.

Hung and F. R. Zimmern took the score to 62.

Civil Service managed to get a couple more wickets before the game was won. Kowloon had their strongest possible side out but the Civil Service were weak and had to borrow Tropp and Parrot. The latter took a very nice catch in the deep field, but Tropp could not reproduce the form he had shown for the Army against the Club the previous week. B. C. K. Hawkins took a wicket.

### Civil Servants' Seconds

THE C.S.C.C. second eleven were strengthened by W. H. Colledge who is out of luck this year, and he put up 40 before being stumped when hitting. The same fate befell Lawrence who made 72 and the side decelerated at 181 for 7 wickets. K.C.C. nearly got the runs but not quite. Fenton (38) S. A. Gray (32) and B. D. Lay were the principal scorers for the K.C.C.

### A Naval Side

TAMAR, with the aid of at least one of the Wavy Navy who has long played for the Club, made 153 against a Craigengower A. side. When I was watching George Souza and A. K. Ismail were going strong and I thought C.C.C. would win but they had a terrible fall and lost by 24 runs.

### Police One Short

THE POLICE are having a pretty difficult time now and were down short on their own ground against the I.R.C. second. They managed to put them out for 113 however thanks largely to Carey's five wickets for twenty-three. But the I.R.C. bowlers were a little too good and they succumbed in the end by 33 runs.

### SMALL UNIT GAME

There was a match between the R.A.O.C. and the Pay Corps at Sooi-koon but as I did not see it and know practically nothing of the players I can only record that it was a draw.



J. F. Lawrence (Saturday's centurion) and C. Logan, opening for the Army against the Kowloon Cricket Club in the whole-day match on Sunday.—Ming Yuen.

## First Round Matches Of Stubbs' Shield

The first round for the Stubbs' Shield has been played off and following are the results:

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank beat C.S.O. at the 10th; R.A.O.C. beat Headquarters C.C. at the 10th; Education Department beat Army Dental Corps 4 and 5; A.A. Regiment beat A.P.C. at the 10th; Dairy Farm beat H.C.V.D.C. one I.R.C. D. Hutchinson and Co. beat Leigh and Grange 2 and 1.

The following received byes: Gilman and Co. H.K.S.H. 12th Heavy Regiment and Co. Army Audit Staff, P.W.D., Air Raid Wardens, Post Office Department, Butterfield and Swire, Bodwell and Co. and Government Medical Department.

The shield was presented for competition by Sir Reginald Stubbs, a former Governor of Hongkong, and was originally known as the "Governor's Shield," but after the departure of Sir Reginald the name was changed to the Stubbs Shield.

### Captain's Cup

The following qualified in the December round of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's Captain's Cup during the week-end:  
Old Course—K. S. Robertson 79-6-73 (22 entries).  
New Course—H. A. Mills 88-20-68 (five entries).

### C. S. C. C. Cricket Teams

On Saturday, the first and second teams of Civil Service Cricket Club will be engaged in friendly cricket matches. The first XI will be playing the Indian Recreation Club on the latter's ground at 2 p.m., and the second XI will also be meeting the I.R.C. at the same time but on the home ground.

Following are their teams:  
1st XI—J. E. Richardson (Capt.), K. J. Atwell, F. Baker, T. Y. N. Fortescu, R. H. Griffin, B. C. K. Hawkins, D. J. Hollidge, D. McLellan, A. E. Perry, N. L. Smith, H. Whitley.  
2nd XI—H. E. Strange (Capt.), G. Ainslie, J. Barrow, W. H. Colledge, G. Davidson, F. E. Lawrence, J. F. McGowan, J. Mitchell, G. Stone, A. Watson, A. M. J. Wright.

### "The London Butcher"

The London Retail Meat Traders' Association has sent £2,000 to the Minister of Aircraft Production for the purchase of a Spitfire to be called "The London Butcher." The same amount has been received from the Southern Railway for the naming of a Spitfire. All ranks from the chairman to the signal cabin have contributed, including staffs of associated companies.

The Minister of Aircraft Production also acknowledges with gratitude £4,000 from the people of Flintshire (second contribution) and £12,000 from the Preston District Spitfire Fund.

### Women's Medal Pool Results

The Medal Pool, for the Ladies Section of the Hongkong Golf Club, held over the New Course, Fanling, from November 23 to December 3 was won by Mrs. A. D. Humphreys with 101-33=68. Runner-up was Mrs. H. C. Margrett with 98-25=71.

There were 21 entries, the fees for which are being donated to the Mobile Canteen Fund.

Entries for the Ross Cup have been extended until December 31.

A special train will run from Kowloon at 9.42 a.m. on Tuesday, December 17, for members of the A.S. and V.A.D. taking part in the Tombstone Competition. The draw for partners will take place about 10.30 a.m. in the Ladies' Clubhouse. Handicaps will be given for the day.

Tea will be served at 4.30 p.m., followed by the presentation of the Prize. It is hoped that all players will remain till the presentation is over.

### Brilliards

### Medicals Unbeaten In Military League

Following are the results of the Garrison Billiards League matches from November 25 to December 4: Royal Scots beat 12th R.A. 4-3; R.A.P.C. beat R.A.O.C. 6-3; R.A.S.C. beat Signals 5-2; R.A.M.C. beat R.A.P.C. 5-2; 5th A.A. beat Engineers 4-3; Royal Scots beat R.A.P.C. 6-1; R.A.S.C. beat Signals 5-2; Engineers beat 5th A.A. 7-0; 12th R.A. beat R.A.O.C. 5-1; R.A.M.C. beat Engineers 4-3; 5th A.A. beat Signals 4-3; Police beat R.A.O.C. 6-1; R.A.M.C. beat 12th R.A. 6-1.

League Table	P	W	L	F	A
R.A.M.C.	0	0	0	0	0
Fortress Engineers	0	0	0	0	0
Royal Signals	0	0	0	0	0
R.A.S.C.	0	0	0	0	0
R.A.P.C.	0	0	0	0	0
Military Police	0	0	0	0	0
R.A.O.C.	0	0	0	0	0
12th R.A.	0	0	0	0	0

CHALLENGE CUP  
Garrison Challenge Cup (first round)—13 Coy. Royal Scots beat Signals 871-729; R.A.C. beat 40th (F) Coy. R.E. 819-674; R.A.M.C. beat C Coy. Royal Scots 851-678; Soldiers' Club Tournament (first round)—13 Coy. Royal Scots beat 22nd (F) Coy. R.E. 1,495-1,284; R.A.M.C. beat 13 Coy. Royal Scots 1,580-1,114.

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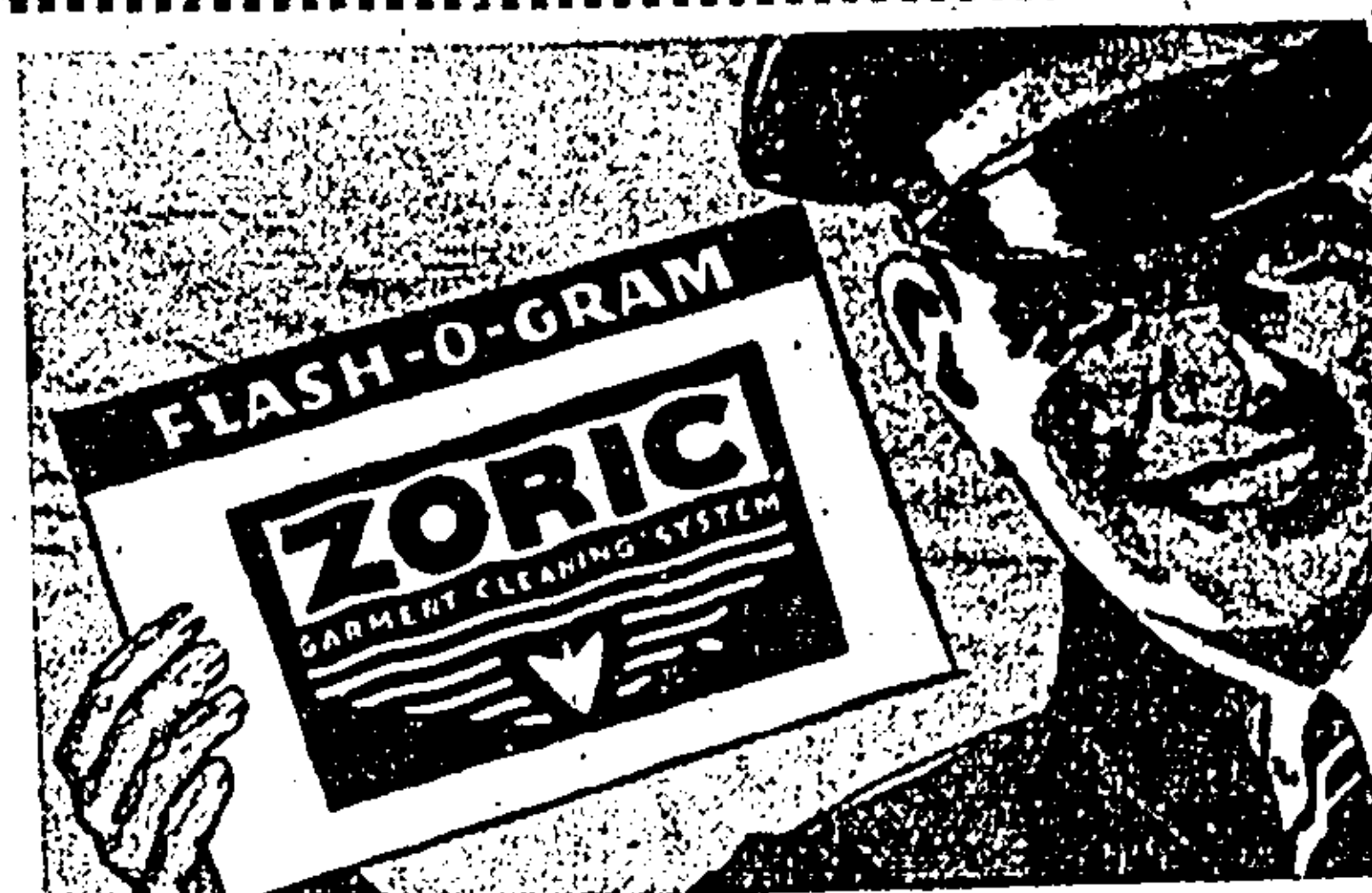
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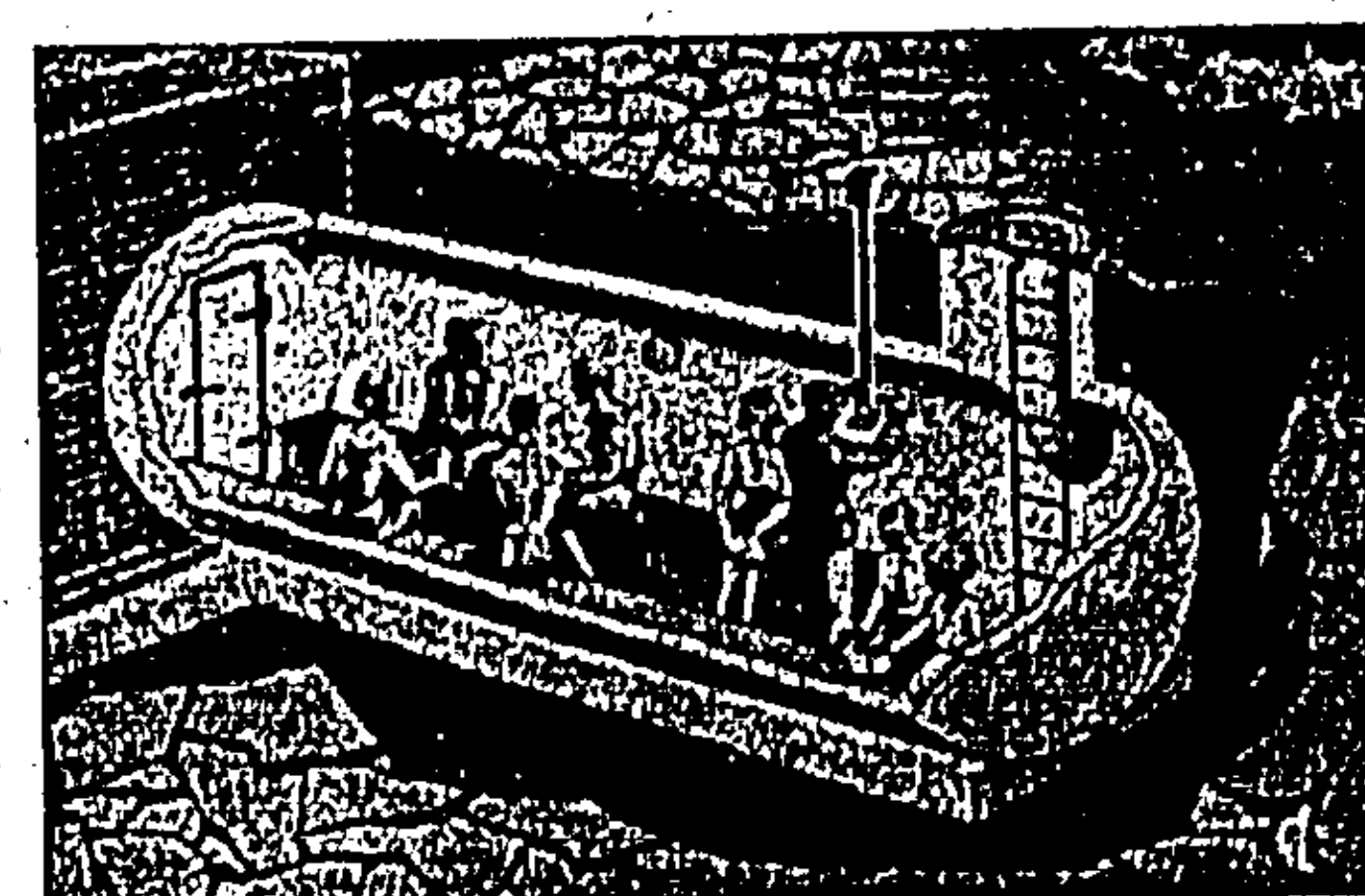
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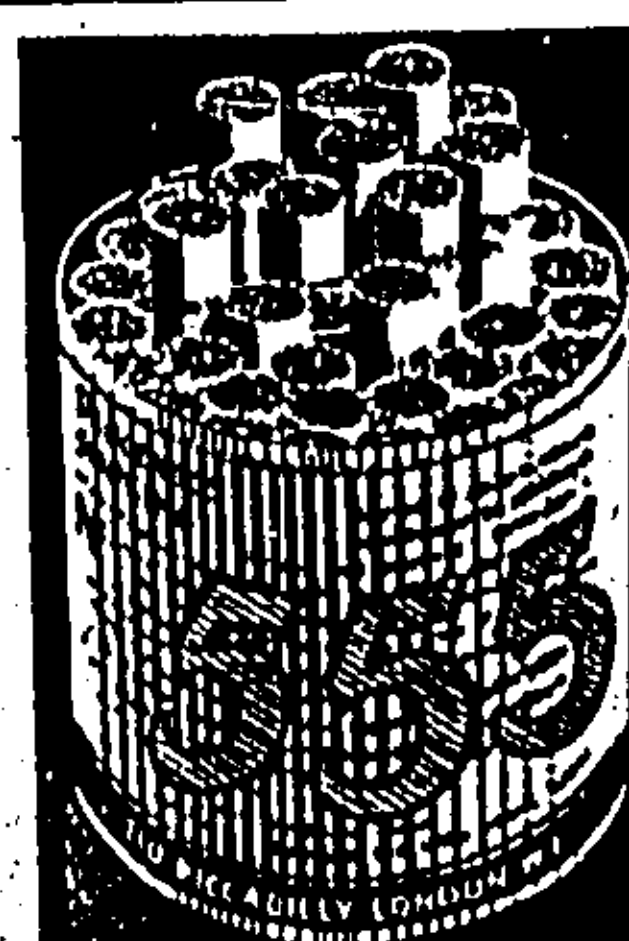
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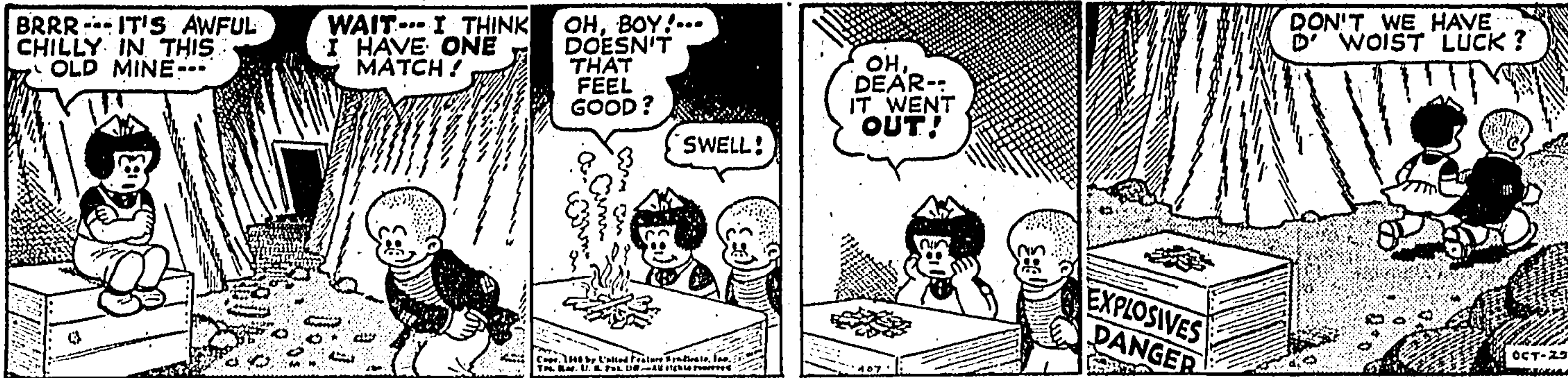
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## Matsuoka Interview On Japan's Policy

—If U.S.A. Fights

TOKYO, Dec. 9.—In his first general interview with foreign correspondents to-day, the Foreign Minister Mr. Matsuoka, said the Axis treaty represented the keystone of Japanese foreign policy, but war against America originating from it could come only in the event of America being adjudged the aggressor in a conflict against Germany.

Inform the American government of any new trend in Japanese policy whereby Japan-American relations could be improved he said Japan's policy remained the same. It revolved around the three-Power pact, the same as it revolved around the Anglo-Japanese alliance when that was effective.

"I hope Admiral Nomura will be enabled to improve relations," he said. "He will do the best he can. My forecast is that we may have differences with America but I either or both of us mind our own business I can't see any serious clash that will lead to a catastrophe or war. I am hoping—even praying—that we can reach a better understanding. I have not despaired of the hope that some day not too far distant we shall see our relations on a sounder basis. That's my hope and in a way my vision too. I don't see anything in the Pacific over which we should fight. If fight it is it's awfully foolish of us both."

### Use Of Singapore

Queried concerning American warships using Singapore Mr. Matsuoka said that such an eventuality, even hinted at, would immediately become a serious consideration on the part of Japan. He added that at present he had no such eventuality in mind so he was not thinking about what should be done.

### Not To Exploit

"We are not fighting to conquer and exploit China, although I admit it looks like that," he declared. "I say give us time and we'll prove—perhaps 30 or 50 years hence—that we mean the things we are saying."

At the beginning of the interview asked whether Admiral Nomura, Ambassador to Washington, would

China than Japan. He said the recent American assistance to Chungking was very distasteful since it was only prolonging the trouble.—United Press.

### Learning from West

Tokyo, Dec. 9. Mr. Matsuoka declared, "We thank the West for many things which we have imported. However, we regret that we have imported greedy notions too," adding, "Should such Western ideas prevail in this country, Japan would fall in her efforts to construct a new order in East Asia."

Mr. Matsuoka, in enunciating Japan's policy toward the South Sea region asserted, "Japan has not any territorial ambition. Japan is helping her neighbours in greater East Asia so that all peoples in this part of the world would have their own place to determine their own destinies."

Questioned about Japan's object in the South Sea region, especially toward the Netherlands East Indies, Mr. Matsuoka said, "All we want is the establishment of a sound understanding necessary to carry on trade peacefully with the Netherlands East Indies."

Queried about the benefits which the Japanese have derived or would derive from the tri-Power pact among Japan, Germany and Italy, Mr. Matsuoka answered, "Henceforth the tripartite pact will form the keystone of Japan's foreign policy. Internally one of the benefits of the pact is the unification of public opinion in this country, namely to keep the closest co-operation with the Axis Powers. Externally as enunciated by the Prime Minister, Prince Konoye, the three-Power pact is a peace pact intended to prevent a third Power or Powers from joining in the European war or the China Affair. If this object is accomplished it will bring great benefit not only to Japan but to humanity at large."

Replying to other questions, the Foreign Minister disclosed that Japan believes that a better understanding with the United States could still be reached if both countries keep their head cool and mind their own business; Japan still hopes that peace can be reached with the Chungking regime but that matter will be left to the Nanking Government; Japan will not intervene in the French Indo-China and Thai controversy no matter what happens.—Domei.

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8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Albert Sandler's Trio and Orchestra—Fairy Song, Le Canari, Albert Sandler Trio, Gipsy, Sing for Me, Heartless, Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

8.15 London Relay—"Gay Deceivers" Comedy.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 London Relay—Talk: "Scots Abroad".

9.45 Glee—Sonata in G Minor, Op. 45—Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) and Fritz Kreisler (Violin).

10.10 Puccini's "La Boheme" Act I.—Singers in order of appearance: Luigi Marini, Gino Vanelli, Tancredi Pasero, Aristide Baracchi, Salvatore Baccaloni and Rosetta Pampalini and Rosetta Pampalini with Orchestra.

10.45 Orchestral Selections—Sir Roger De Coverley, Post Horn Galop, New Mayfair Orchestra; Suite De Danse—Intermezzo, Valse Melancolique, Otto Dobrindt and Eugen Wolff Orchestras.

11.00 Close Down.

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## Dusseldorf Factories Left In Flames

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high explosive bombs fell near some jacked submarines and lock gates during a two and a half hour raid on Bordeaux last night.

Other heavy bombs fell among some warehouses, railway sidings and jetties with good effect. One of our bombers attacked a nearby aero-engine construction works which was hit and set alight, the report added.

**Pressmen See Damage**

DUSSELDORF, Dec. 9 (UP).—About a dozen houses and stores and Dusseldorf station were demolished, while scores of windows were smashed by high explosive bombs during two short, intensive British raids on Saturday and Sunday nights.

The damage was seen by eight foreign newspapermen who were taken to Dusseldorf to-day by the Ministry of Propaganda.

According to German officials—and as far as the correspondents were able to see—there was no damage of any consequence to any factories or railways.

The correspondents were also taken over the important industrial cities of Hamburg and Duisburg where factories, iron foundries and rolling mill were apparently working normally and no damage was visible either to the factories, or the great inland harbour which the British claim to have bombed.

## PHILLIPS IN U.S.A.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The cancellation of Sir Frederick Phillips' appointment as the United States Treasury to-day was apparently, according to Treasury officials, because he had not yet completed the data which he wished to present in continuation of Friday's discussions.

The next conference is expected to be held to-morrow.

## Shanghai In Grip Of Cold Snap

CHUNGKING, Dec. 9 (Central News).—Shanghai is again in the grip of a severe cold snap, which is exacting a heavy toll of lives from poor people living on the streets.

During each of the past three days, an average of 120 persons, some 40 adults and 80 children, died of exposure and hunger.

Mortality in Shanghai for November was exceptionally high, over 700 adults and nearly 1,500 children being found dead on the streets.

## Mystery Submarine

HAVANA, Dec. 9 (UP).—The chief of the Manzanilla naval station reported to-day that a submarine of unknown nationality is navigating off the south Cuban coast between Manzanilla and Santa Cruz del Sur.

## Kwangsi Refugees To Return To Homes

With the help of the Hongkong office of the Kwangsi Provincial Relief Commission, the first batch of 50 Kwangsi refugees here will return to their native province on December 13.

Originally, the number was 100, but owing to difficulties, it has been reduced to 50.

They will be escorted by two officials of the Commission and will travel by way of Shenyueh, Shiu-kwan and Hengyang. When they reach Kweilin, they will be given work to do.

## LATE NEWS

## Exchange At A Glance

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SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	1/2 1/2
T.T. Singapore	1/2 1/2
T.T. Japan	1/2 1/2
T.T. India	1/2 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	1/2 1/2
T.T. Manila	1/2 1/2
T.T. Batavia	1/2 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	1/2 1/2
T.T. Saigon	1/2 1/2
T.T. France	1/2 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	1/2 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/2 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/2
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	24 1/2
4 m/s France	Nom.
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.03 1/2

## H.K. Stock Market

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Chartered	7 1/2
Merentile, A. & B.	25 1/2
Merentile, C. & E.	10 1/2
East Asia	73 n.
INSURANCES	
Canton	185 n.
Union	395 su.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	180 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglas	135 n.
Steamboats	11 n.
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## 800 ALBANIAN REBELS AMBUSH ITALIANS: GREEKS PUSH FORWARD

Special to the "Telegraph"

STRUGA, DEC. 9 (UP).—FRONTIER REPORTS SAY THAT 800 ALBANIAN REBELS TO-DAY AMBUSHED THE ITALIANS WHO ARE RETREATING FROM SANTE QUARANTI, KILLING THREE OFFICERS AND 87 SOLDIERS AND WOUNDING 170, WHILE 75 REBELS WERE KILLED AND 190 WOUNDED.

## Italy Must Lose The Dodecanese Islands

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ANKARA, Dec. 9 (UP).—Well informed Turkish circles predict that Italy will be forced to surrender the Dodecanese Islands within two or three months.

They said that neither Italian nor neutral ships are reaching the Italian garrison there, which is estimated to be over 20,000 men, plus many civilians.

## BRAZIL'S GESTURE

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The Brazilian Government has decided to appoint Charges d'Affaires to Norway, Holland and Poland in London. The decision may be regarded as an extremely friendly gesture by Brazil to Britain.

This is the first visible outcome of the Willington mission's visit to Brazil, and shows the sympathy which one of the largest South American nations feels for Britain in her struggle against the Dictators.

## Canadian Airmen Welcomed

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. to-day welcomed more Canadian airmen, trained under the Empire Air Training Scheme, as fully qualified pilots and craftsmen. They will join R.A.F. units in various parts of the country. All said that they were itching to get at Jerry. It is almost certain that they will find whatever unit they may be sent to other dominions and men from the dominions will have already hit the enemy hand in bombers or fighters.

## Danish Nazis Jeered By Demonstrators

"United Press" Staff Correspondent

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 9 (UP).—Several thousand Haderslev citizens massed outside the Haderslev gaol until four a.m. this morning singing Danish national songs, cheering the police, and jeering the Danish Nazis who were being questioned by Police Chief Nel Hartmann in connection with last night's battle, in which six policemen and a number of Nazis were injured and 350 gaoled.

The first clash between the demonstrators and police occurred on Sunday when a handful of gendarmes attempted to halt the march of several hundred Nazis from neighbouring towns into Haderslev. The gendarmes battled with the demonstrators until midnight.

## Many Nazis Arrested

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Many Nazis were taken into custody after a disturbance at Haderslev. Danish Conservatives held a meeting on Sunday, and 10,000 people

It is reported the Greeks who are advancing northward from Argyro-Castron, last night broke through the weak Italian resistance and occupied the village of Subasi, capturing one Italian officer and 70 soldiers.

In the Meschopolis sector the Greeks are advancing along the Devoli river and early this morning occupied the village of Bersnik.

In the Premeti sector the Greeks from the Dangli mountains have now swung westward and are only six miles from the junction of the roads to Tepelini and Berel, and about 12 miles from Tepelini. The Greeks, who last Thursday occupied the village of Sopot, have continued their infiltration down the Gostina Valley.

## GREEK'S CAUTIOUS ADVANCE

"REUTER'S" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

ATHENS, Dec. 9.—The Greeks are advancing cautiously towards Chimarra, 22 miles west of Argyro-Castron on the coast between Sante Quaranti and Valona.

The movement threatens the flank of the Italians who are withdrawing northward from Sante Quaranti. Reports indicate that the Italian rearwards are stubbornly resisting the Greek push and are employing tactics designed to draw on small detachments of Greeks which would be vulnerable to counter-attack.

A cavalry screen has been thrown out by the Greeks in order to counter this plan. Bitter fighting is raging in the centre of the present 80 mile long front where Italian resistance is reported to be very fierce.

An indication of the actual position however, is seen in orders found in the possession of an Italian officer captured at Premeti instructing him to shoot any Italian who "unnecessarily retired."

## Rome Admission

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Dec. 9 (UP).—The Italians have withdrawn from Argyro-Castron to a line apparently aimed at the defence of Valona, one of the two main Albanian ports.

According to despatches from Tirana, the withdrawal was carried out in the snow-covered roads in the mountains after the bloodiest hand-to-hand fighting of the entire Italo-Greek war. A rearward action, aided by hundreds of planes held back the repeated Greek attacks. The communiques emphasize that there were no losses in men or materials.

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## British Cruiser Said To Be Overhauling Nazi Raider

Special to the "Telegraph"

MONTEVIDEO, Dec. 9 (UP).—There appears to be every possibility that retribution is swiftly overtaking the Nazi raider which attacked and damaged the Carnarvon Castle.

It is unofficially reported that the British cruiser Enterprise last night sent a radio message to the officers of the Carnarvon Castle that she was overtaking the German raider which had engaged the British auxiliary cruiser during the week-end, and had then run away.

## 500 Italians Captured Near Sidi Barrani

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—A bag of 500 Italian prisoners was secured by the British in operations in the Western Desert. The prisoners were taken in an engagement south of Sidi Barrani.

A communique states that advance elements of the British forces are now in contact with the Italians on "a broad front."

In the Sudan, British patrols have continued extensive activities in the Gallabat area, and British artillery again successfully engaged enemy targets.

## Aerodrome Attacked

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—R.A.F. bombers attacked the Benina aerodrome in the Western Desert on the night of December 8. One hangar was completely burned out, and three other fires were started, announces the R.A.F. Egyptian headquarters. Incendiary and high explosive bombs also fell among aircraft, while one was set on fire.

The Rhodesian Squadron bombed Adardeb in Italian East Africa, achieving a direct hit on a machine gun post. Several fires were started, and bombs fell among stores, dumps and a second machine gun post was silenced by machine gun fire from the R.A.F. aircraft.

Azmarra was attacked on December 7 causing a fire in the hangars while a petrol fire was started.

Enemy fighters were intercepted during the raid and one R.A.F. plane was shot down.

## Operations Extending

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Operations in the Western Desert are extending satisfactorily, says a special communique issued by G.H.Q. Cairo to-night. Over 400 prisoners have already been captured in one area.

The General Officer Commanding one of the Italian forces engaged has been killed and his Second in Command captured.

## British Initiative

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—British Desert Forces in the Western Desert have operations to-day on a scale larger than any yet initiated in Africa since the start of the war. They were directed mainly against the Italians' right flank along the top of an escarpment some 15 or 20 miles south of Sidi Barrani. General Odeschi's advanced base on the coast

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## NAZI IDEA OF "KULTUR"

Here is a particularly illuminating example of the Nazis' idea of Kultur. The picture shows St. Thomas's Hospital in London after it had been hit by bombs. The hospital was badly damaged and there were casualties. On Sunday night and Monday morning the Nazi raiders repeated this sort of thing on nine other London hospitals.

## Dusseldorf's Factories Left In Ruins

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—"We clouted Dusseldorf good and hard" said one pilot of the British bomber planes which participated in the concentrated attack last night on the large industrial area of Dusseldorf.

The raid began shortly after 6 p.m. in bright moonlight. Visibility was excellent and the Rhine bridges were clearly distinguished, one crew bombing from a height of several thousand feet was actually able to see flames streaming from windows of a factory in the area of the chief target, which was again blast furnaces of a steel works manufacturing railway and shipping equipment and other war material.

Three large fires and many small ones followed the bursting of the first bombs, and British aircraft then crowded in in quick succession, says the Air Ministry, dropping heavy bombs accurately on the steel works, and pelting the entire area with hundreds of incendiary bombs.

Great banks of smoke obscured the scene for some of the latecomers, but the pilots generally did not meet this trouble, and as they returned to their base, one after another reported great destruction, and stated that from 30 or 40 miles away it was plain that many fires had taken firm hold.

## U-Boat Bases

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. made a return visit to German U-boat bases at Brest and Lorient on Sunday night—which were attacked only 24 hours before—as well as to that at Bordeaux. A great fire was started among the buildings between two of the docks basins at Bordeaux; and at Brest the roof of one of the dockside buildings was seen to fall in, while other buildings were seen to be on fire.

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## LATEST

## BRITISH START OFFENSIVE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 10 (UP).—British troops have taken the offensive in the Western Desert, according to very reliable sources in London.

The operation is described as being on a "rather large scale."

"Another and earlier report on this page says that in the course of operations in the Western Desert 500 Italians were captured and important gains secured by the British forces. Simultaneously the Royal Air Force carried out attacks on Italian aerodromes and vital supply stations.

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 Further Late News

## NINE HOSPITALS HIT IN RAID

## Dastardly Work By Nazis

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—Latest reports show that nine hospitals were bombed by the Nazi "Kultur" raiders last night.

In one instance many casualties were caused among both patients and staff, owing to a direct hit being scored.

Many of the injured have now been extricated from the debris. Another hospital was hit by three high explosive bombs and several incendiaries.

Yet another received the full impact of high explosives which cut the building in half.

Four churches, a convent and three vicarages suffered damage in the London raids.

Two hundred and fifty persons were sheltering in the crypt of a church and escaped when a shower of incendiary bombs and high explosives dropped on the church and adjoining commercial buildings.

## 100 Raiders In Action

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—It is estimated that 100 German bombers participated in last night's attacks on London with very heavy calibre bombs.

## German Boast

BERLIN, Dec. 9 (UP).—Informed German circles state the Luftwaffe dropped 200,000 kilograms of high explosives and between 80,000 and 100,000 incendiary bombs on London last night and this morning.

## SOVIET BORDER INCIDENT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Dec. 9 (UP).—The newspaper "Lenin's Banner" at Petrozavodsk reports an incident on the northwestern frontier involving the killing of one, and the capture alive of two alleged armed spies, who tried to enter the Soviet Union from a neighbouring foreign State.

## NANKING NOTES

SHANGHAI, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The Nanking Regime is issuing its own currency on January 15, according to a "Trans-Ocean" report from Nanking, but will continue recognising the Chungking Government notes for a certain period, after which Chungking notes will be exchanged for Nanking notes, and the former will be declared valueless in occupied territory.

## Increased Armoured Strength for the Army

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The attainment of a definite stage in the policy of rapidly increasing the armoured strength of the British Army is marked by a new appointment namely, Commander of the Royal Armoured Corps.

The first occupant of this post will be Major General Giffard de Quessne Martel.

General Martel served on the staff of the Tank Corps in the last war and has been Deputy Director of mechanical at the War Office. It is also officially announced that Lieutenant General Alexander, who served with distinction in France and Belgium during the present war and was in Command of the British Expeditionary Force during the last days of the evacuation from Dunkirk, is now appointed to the Southern Command, replacing General Auchinleck, whose appointment as Commander-in-Chief of India was recently notified.



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## Altar Light Broke Black-Out

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of the Holy Spirit, Exeter, was  
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He smashed the door panels and  
put out the lights.  
Beatrice Brown, of Sidwell-street,  
Exeter, appeared in court accused of  
the offence.  
On her behalf it was stated that  
the lights must have been switched  
on by someone who entered the  
church with felonious intent.  
The case was dismissed, the magis-  
trate saying it was for the police to  
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the church should be summoned.

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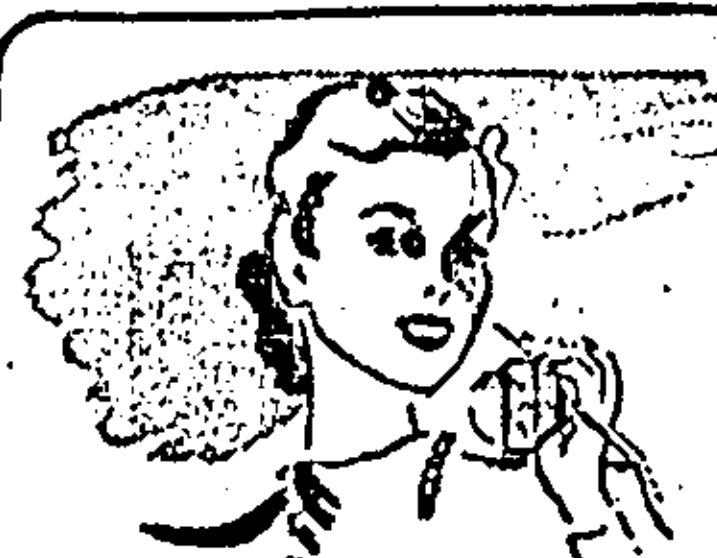
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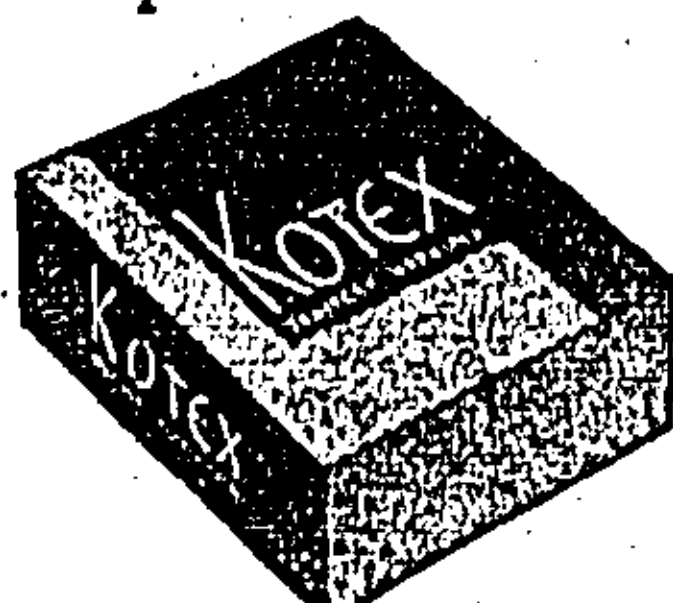
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3—Exchange premium  
4—Reputation  
5—Child letter  
6—Madam (col.)  
7—Philippine tree  
8—Musician's stick  
9—Land  
10—Small valley  
11—Metal  
12—Sportswoman  
13—Glycerin and acetic acid  
14—One who angers  
15—Biblical  
16—South American  
17—Jazz-like device  
18—Trunk of tree  
19—Plant  
20—Vain of ore  
21—Instructor at Oxford  
22—Element  
23—One who bears  
24—Primer's measure  
25—Explosion  
26—Those who grow  
27—One with grief  
28—Enemy of Crusaders  
29—Worry  
30—Horn  
31—Clinging sea animal  
32—Blindling  
33—Wear

ANSWER TO  
PREVIOUS PUZZLE  
1—Italian coin  
2—Causing commitment  
3—Fruit  
4—Tullia (abbr.)  
5—Revels of origin  
6—Revels again  
7—Right singer  
8—Trade law  
9—Even  
10—Wing-shaped  
11—Part of eye  
12—Removes  
13—Resistance in bite  
14—One who escapes  
15—Those who furnish  
16—Tullia  
17—Jazz-like device  
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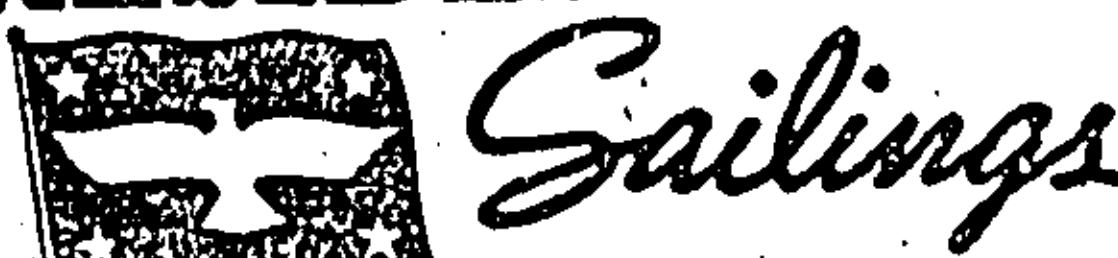
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Thursday, Dec. 12

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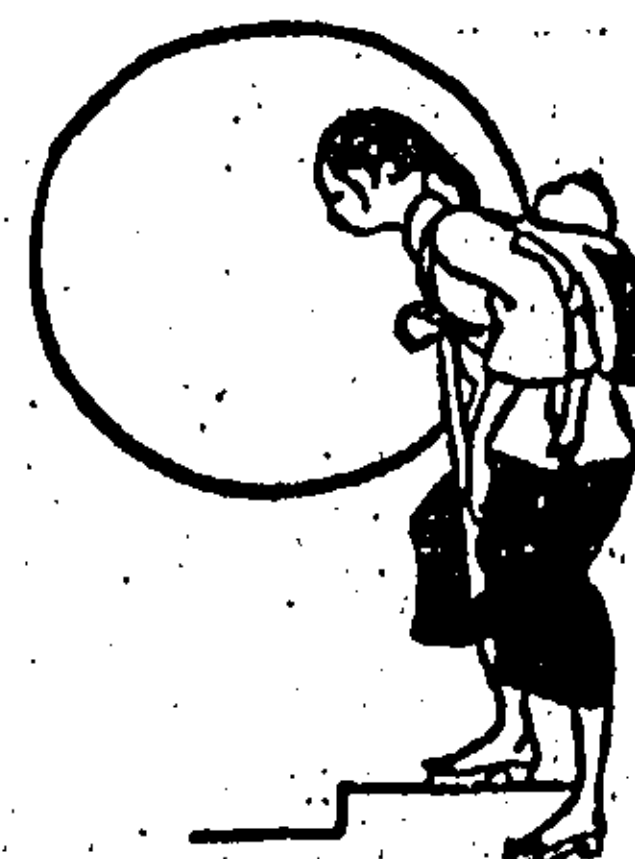
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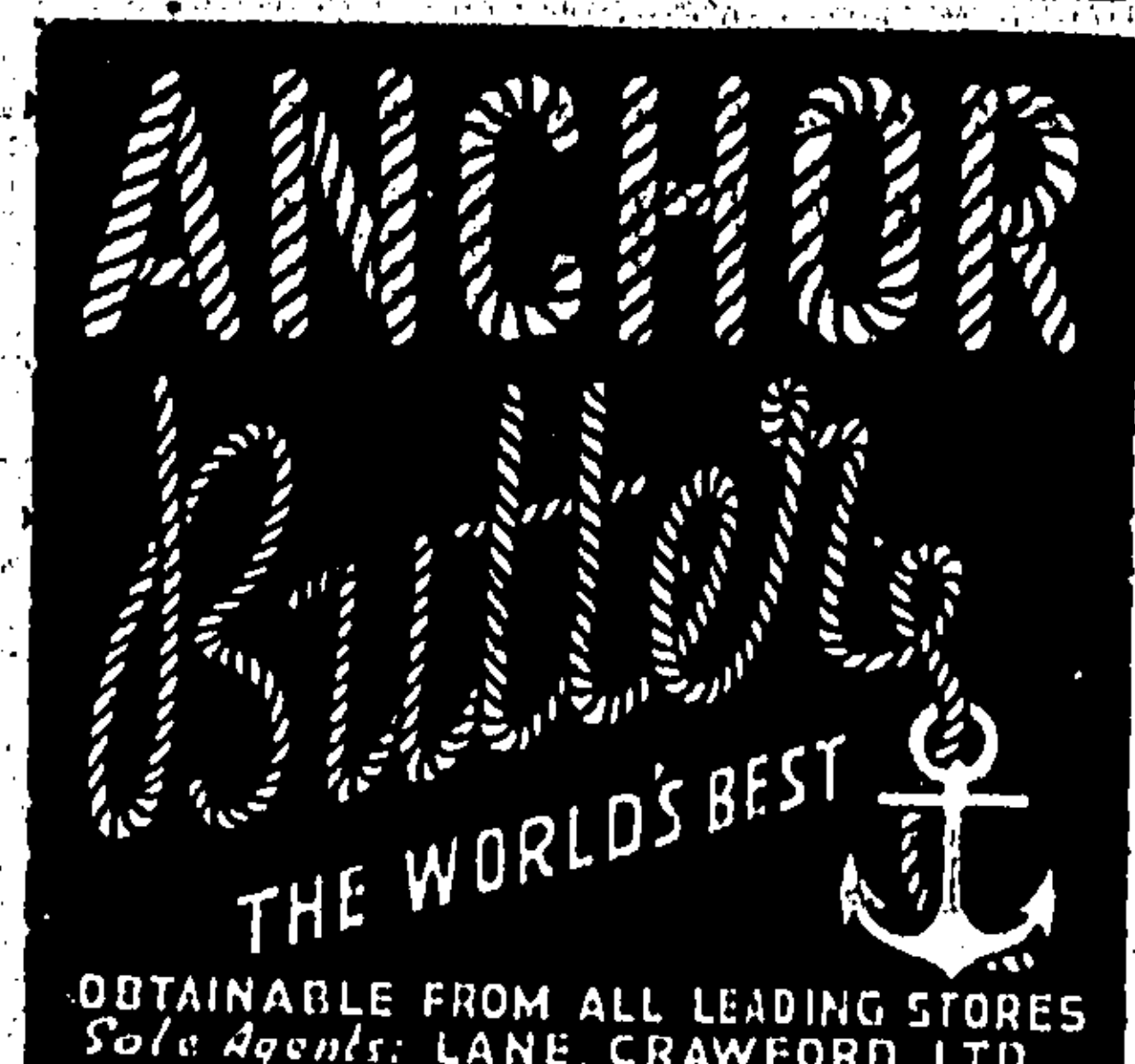
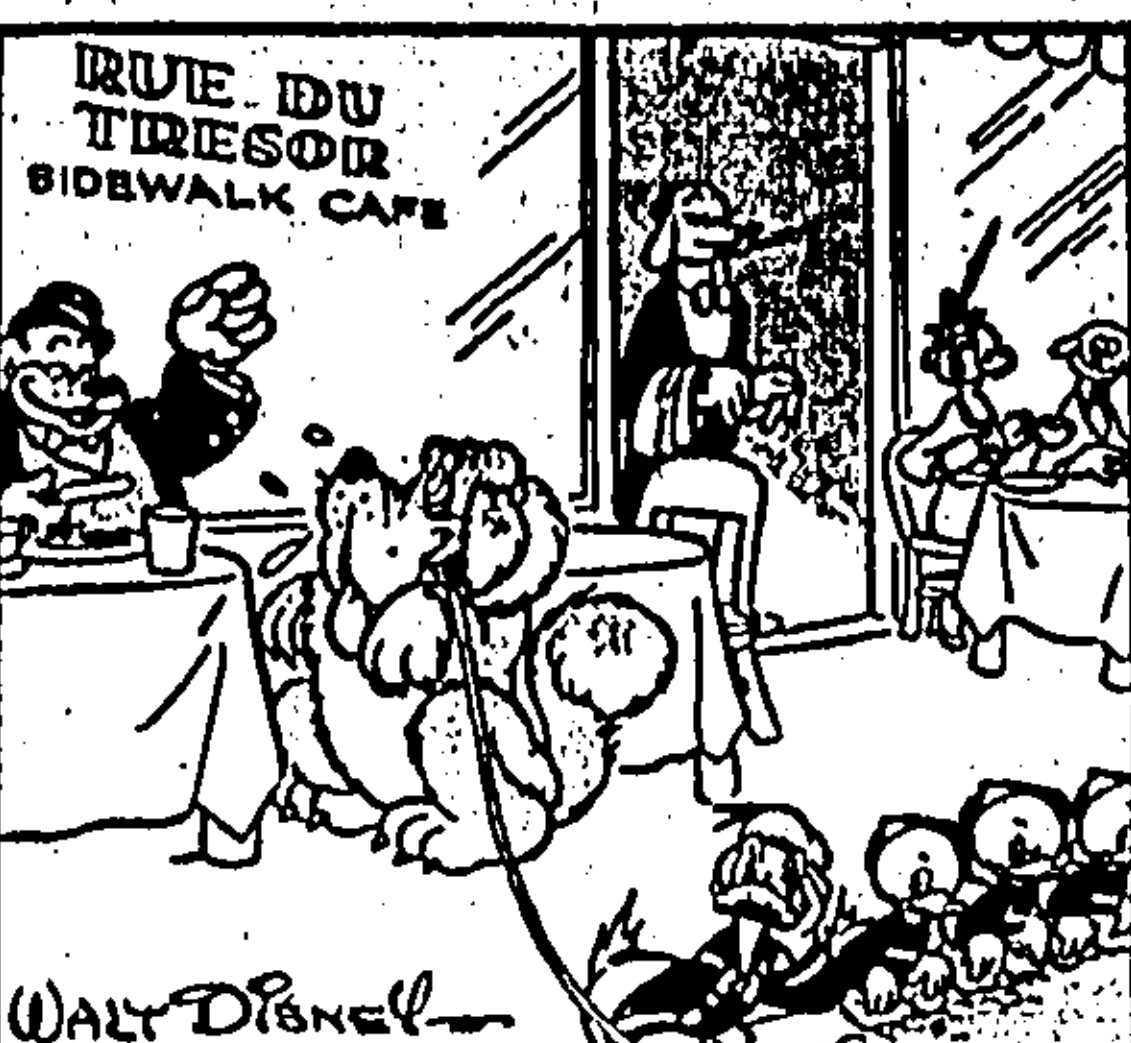
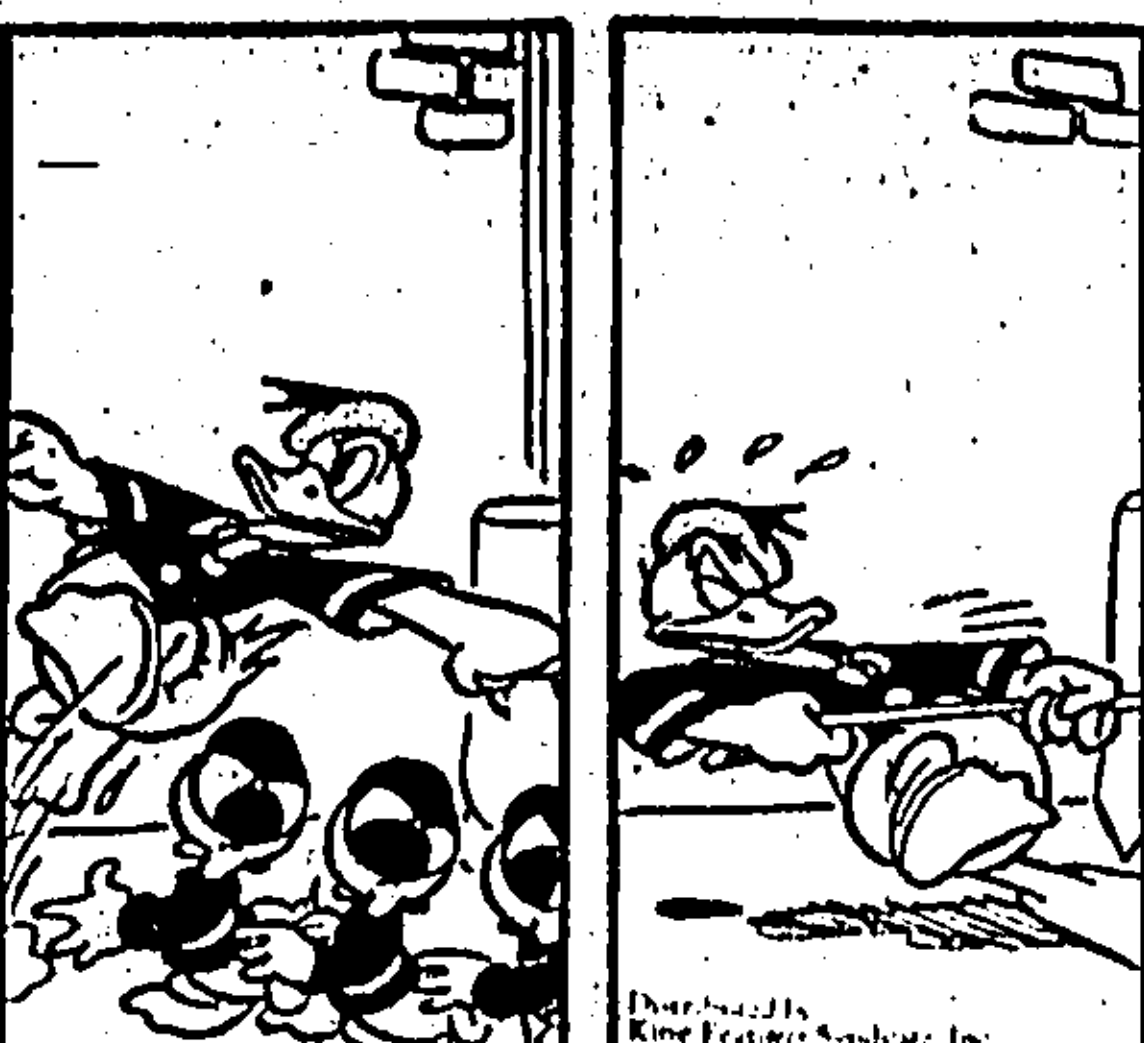
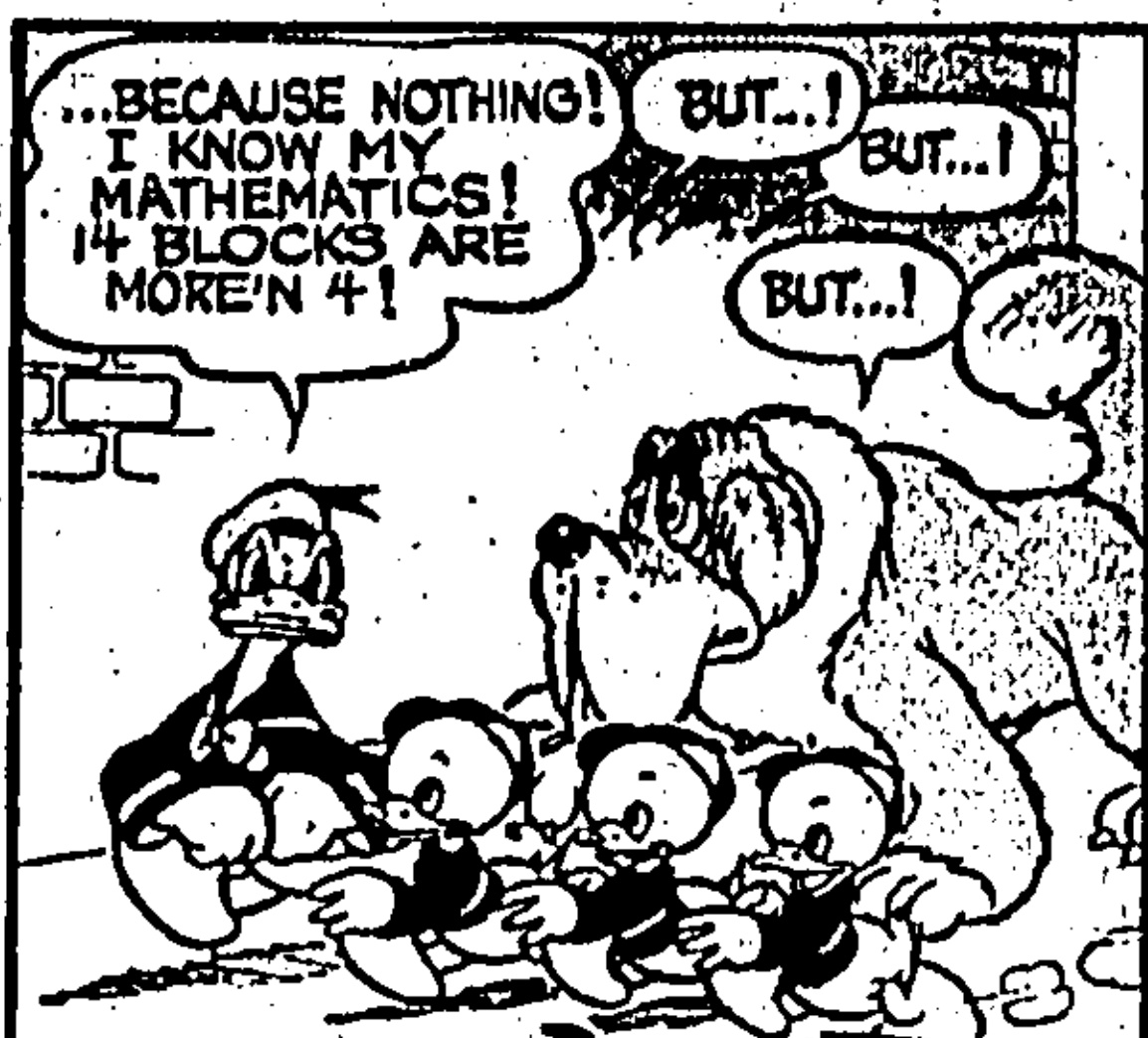
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### RESUME

Two rich London bachelors, Mr. Darcy and Mr. Bingley, arrive with the latter's sister to take up residence at the Netherfield Park Estate in Meryton Village. Since marriage is a girl's only career in the 1800's, Mrs. Bennet, mother of five marriageable daughters—Elizabeth, Jane, Mary, Lydia and Kitty—is in a turmoil of excitement. Despite Mr. Bennet's protest, she campaigns vigorously to win the bachelors for witty Elizabeth and beautiful Jane. Jane and Bingley fall in love at first sight; but Darcy's arrogant pride prejudices Elizabeth against him. She is further incensed when he deliberately snubs Mr. Wickham, friend of her sister Lydia. Miss Bingley invites Jane to visit her.

### Chapter Two

#### TARGET PRACTICE

The great and fateful day when Jane was to visit Miss Bingley at Netherfield Park, dawned gray, cold and weighted with rain clouds. The weather afforded Mrs. Bennet a brilliant idea.

"Jane shall ride over on horseback. Then, if it rains, she won't be able to come home after dinner. They'll have to keep her for the night—and there's really nothing like wet weather for engagements!"

So, on horseback went Jane; not only did she remain for the night, she stayed for the week. Her exposure to the rain resulted in a cold that confined her to bed at Netherfield Park. And, if streaming eyes, red nose, sneezes and wheezes are not the things of which romance is made, Charles Bingley seemed totally unaware of it.

Red nose or no, he was enchanted with her, visiting the sick room at every opportunity. His delight was no nothing compared to Mrs. Bennet's.

"Mr. Bennet!" she cried to her husband as she poured their breakfast coffee. "I've just received a note from Mr. Bingley. He asks permission to give a garden party and ball for Jane just as soon as she's well." She sighed.

"Such a happy idea of mine to send her off in the rain!"

Mr. Bennet emerged from behind his copy of the Times.

"But to Jane must go all the credit for having caught the cold, my dear," he observed sarcastically.

Certainly, Bingley hoped Jane's visit would go on forever. But Mrs. Bennet, a general marshalling forces for victory, recalled Jane for the one reason that would whet Bingley's jealousy, heighten his ardour and good him into a declaration.

She placed a rivet in his path. Cousin Collins, the clergyman to whom the Bennet estate was entailed, arrived for a visit. Elizabeth was dispatched to fetch Jane under the pretext that her sister must meet the male and marriageable relative who was the Bennet house guest.

Poor Mr. Bingley reacted to the news in the manner hoped for. While he did not quite declare himself, his attentions to and concern for Jane reached a peak that infuriated his sister and sent Darcy's eyebrows on the rise.

Cousin Collins proved to be a scraping, bowing, obnoxious, self-important bore. At first meeting,

he set his heart on Elizabeth. Mrs. Bennet, determined that one of her daughters should marry him in order to keep the estate within the family, was in a fever of joy—until Elizabeth declared with finality that if she died unmarried, she'd never marry Mr. Collins.

Charlotte Lucas, her dearest friend, came to her rescue. Mr. Collins, finding himself the object of Charlotte's concern, promptly forgot Elizabeth. Charlotte was lovely, he decided; a bit old—on the late twentieth side—practically a spinster—but a lovely girl.

Mrs. Bennet drew this defect in the glow of Bingley's continued attentions to Jane—attentions climaxed by the garden party honouring her complete recovery.

It was a splendid party! Mrs. Bennet could have hoped for nothing finer! Mr. Bingley had eyes for no one except Jane! It proved once and for all, that she was right in her campaign. Would Jane be basking in the glow of Bingley's admiration if Mrs. Bennet had listened to her husband? In the future, that worthy, hiding behind a mass of unimpeachable tomes and treatises, he'd better leave such matters to her!

So great was her delight in Bingley and Jane that she closed her eyes to the mad caperings of Kitty and Lydia who flirted outrageously with unformed officers; that she lost sight of pedantic Mary's woeful shortcomings as a beauty; that she even forgot to scold Elizabeth for being so coolly aloof as her father.

None of the day's drama was lost on Elizabeth. She sought refuge from her mother's ecstasy, from Mary's stupidity, from Lydia's and Kitty's boisterousness, on the archery field. As she made her way to the stand of bows and arrows, Darcy greeted her.

"Would you like a little target practice?" he asked pleasantly.

"Yes," she replied, somewhat taken aback by his friendly manner. "Are you a good shot with the bow, Mr. Darcy?"

"Tolerable," he answered.

"Only tolerable?" she questioned mischievously.

"Well," he expanded, "it's a fine old sport and one in which even a young lady can become proficient."

"So I've heard," she said gravely.

"And with a light bow," he added.

He fitted an arrow and took aim.

"What a bad shot!" he said in annoyance as the arrow missed the target and landed in the side of the knoll beyond. He handed her the bow. Would you like to try it?"

She nodded, an impish smile lighting her face.

"Place the bow in the left hand," he instructed sententiously. "And the arrow goes like this—and these two fingers go. Now—left arm straight. Stand sideways and aim at the bull's eye." He paused, taking in the picture of her as she

strained to follow his instructions. "That's right," he approved. "Now shoot."

Elizabeth let go the arrow. It landed in the very heart of the target.

"A Bull's Eye!" he cried.

Without pausing, Elizabeth picked up a second arrow and shot it to split the first one.

Darcy stared incredulously from her to the target, then laughed with delight.

"Next time I talk to a young lady about archery, I won't be so patronizing," he promised. "Thank you for the lesson."

Elizabeth, disarmed by his friendliness, smiled warmly at him.

## PRIDE AND PREJUDICE

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by GERTRUDE GELBIN

"Thank you for taking it so well. Most men would have been offended."

"Miss Elizabeth," he said, suddenly serious, "would you mind telling me why you're so determined to offend me?"

"I'm sorry, Mr. Darcy. But playing tricks on people is one of my besetting sins."

Her evasion was not lost on him. "Well—may I ask how long you've been practising archery?" he asked pleasantly.

"Since I was six," she laughed.

"And have you been doing since you were six?"

"Oh, nothing in particular. Living. Laughing. I laugh a good deal, you know."

His glance was frankly admiring. "So I should imagine."

"It's none of my business, of course," she smiled, "but I should say, Mr. Darcy, that you didn't laugh enough."

Miss Bingley joined them.

"Hello," Darcy greeted. "Miss Elizabeth was just saying she thinks I don't laugh enough."

Caroline eyed Elizabeth frigidly. "I should be very sorry if you laughed more than you do, Mr. Darcy. There is something so unrefined about excessive laughter."

"If you want to be really refined," Elizabeth countered, "you've got to be dead. There's nobody so dignified and distinguished as a mummy. And now, Mr. Darcy, may I ask you a question? What would be your opinion of a man who had everything—birth, breeding, wealth, charm—and yet who refused to accept an introduction to another man who was poor and of no consequence?"

Darcy flushed. "I would form no opinion until I knew the circumstances of the particular case," he replied coldly. "And now, if you will excuse me, I shall retrieve the arrows."

Elizabeth watched him go thoughtfully.

"Miss Eliza," observed Miss Bingley. "May I warn you not to take George Wickham too seriously?"

"You know I referred to Mr. Wickham?" Elizabeth asked in astonishment. "You know that Mr. Darcy refused to meet him?"

"Of course. And I know, too, that he goes about saying Mr. Darcy has used him ill. While I'm ignorant of the particulars, I know what Mr. Wickham says is not true."

"Indeed!" Elizabeth's tone was icy. "Personally, I find Mr. Wickham a very pleasant, accomplished gentleman."

"Gentleman!" exclaimed Miss Bingley. "I'm afraid he must have neglected to tell you that he's the son of Mr. Darcy's late steward."

"Mr. Wickham gave me that information, Miss Bingley. And to me, a gentleman is one who has honour, generosity, truthfulness—whether he be of low or high descent." She faced Darcy angrily as he approached, the arrows in hand. "Mr. Darcy! Miss Bingley would like a lesson in archery." She turned to Caroline.

## BRITAIN DELIVERS THE GOODS

An excellent idea of how British manufacturers are carrying on in the midst of enemy bombings, and how successfully overseas orders are being fulfilled, is given in a letter, written in early October, from a Home manufacturer to a local British firm.

The letter, which is reproduced here, will enable readers to form an impression of the present conduct of business in Britain. Commercial firms in the Colony may also be interested in the advice given regarding cabling procedure and the regulations in respect of the recently-imposed Purchase Tax.

The manufacturer says:—

Since we circled you in July, despite the intensification of the enemy effort against this country, you will have observed there has been little change in our ability to maintain supplies to your market. The only real difficulty with which we have been confronted has been the logistical elimination in shipping facilities from the Port of London. This, however, has been more in the nature of a domestic problem, as in the main we have been able to transfer the manufacture of our goods for export, normally made at our London works, to our Lancashire works. Where this was impossible, transport might have been made by the Liverpool docks, and latterly with equal regularity such goods have been transferred by rail.

We mention this to impress upon you the comparative ease with which it is possible to cope with bombings in their present form. In our September shipments your clients have the visible proof that the business of the country continues, that internal communication is functioning smoothly and, as ever, our Merchant Fleet continue to operate freely.

### Propaganda

The foregoing we stress in the hope that, no matter how slight, the propaganda effort of our country may be aided. We feel this necessary, as so frequently do we have evidence that our friends overseas are apt to overlook the obvious and, often through concern for this country, lend an ear to the insidious propaganda of Germany, Italy and their sympathisers. What the Axis have been unable to accomplish by deed there would appear to be an intensification of effort to achieve by their imaginative propaganda, which succeeds with every order we might normally expect, but, through prevailing conditions, is placed outside the country.

There have been recently lengthy delays in the receipt of overseas messages, which delays we believe are partially due to the Censorship authorities. We have lodged the most energetic protest both with Cable and Wireless, Ltd. and the Export Council, as we believe nothing can shake confidence over seas so much as failure to receive a reply to any given message within a reasonable period.

May we ask you to assist by wording messages as clearly as possible, at least with sufficient

"Follow your teacher's instructions, Miss Bingley, and you'll learn to direct your darts with great accuracy."

"Well!" cried Miss Bingley as Elizabeth, her head high, marched off. "Of all the insolence and bad manners. Pray, Mr. Darcy, what do you think of her now?"

"I think she handles a bow and arrow superbly," he replied carelessly, and smiled after the retreating figure of Elizabeth.

Darcy's pride seems to be on the ebb—but will Elizabeth overcome her prejudice? Read to-morrow's chapter.

### Purchase Tax

We understand that in collaboration with H.M. Government the Dominions have either given an assurance that our Purchase Tax will not be regarded as part of the dutiable value under existing Law, or had agreed to take steps to ensure that it should be excluded.

When the Purchase Tax is imposed over here we are accordingly adding the following to the end of Paragraph 4 of the combined Certificate of Value and Origin—

"This domestic value also includes £..... representing Purchase Tax not chargeable on goods for export."

The full value will then be shown in column declaring current domestic value of the article shipped, but duty should only be paid on this amount less Purchase Tax.

With the transference of our business from London to the country it was impossible to bring with each department those records one would normally have at hand. In actual practice, it was considered the export trade of this country would be so changed that, apart from contracts outstanding at the outbreak of hostilities, no past records were brought to this office. Prior to the intensification of aerial warfare, it was a matter of ease to fit in a journey to our main office where it was necessary to refer to pre-war records, but this can no longer be arranged without inconvenience and the possibility of wasted time. We would ask, therefore, that you bear this feature in mind, and instead of referring to pre-war correspondence from questions dating back as something new, passing us all pertinent details to enable a reply without reference to past records.

### Bombings

To conclude, we would not wish to create an impression that the life of this country is quite undisturbed, but rather that our difficulties are such that they are surmounted.

From the point of the individual, we live in hard and unpleasant times. Many of the staff live in the more densely populated areas, and the number who have lost their homes and many of their possessions is distressing. Those areas now appear to be receiving such protection from our barrage that the outer suburbs are getting the bombs.

The indiscriminate nature of these bombings might be illustrated by a very recent experience during a night raid. In an essentially residential area on the extreme outskirts of London, a German plane dropped probably its full complement of bombs. These bombs fell in an area, the radius of which would be about a quarter of a mile, the damage being to houses, a block of flats, a public house and stables. The nearest possible objective was a bridge, of no great importance, quite a mile distant.

These bombings achieved nothing as affecting our war effort, and miraculously only two people were killed and three treated for minor injuries. The stable did suffer, eight horses being killed. Close at hand on the same night the wives of two personal friends were killed outright and, in the one case, the second son and only daughter also perished. Remaining members of both families are in hospital.

### Food Supplies

Finally, as bearing on current conditions of life in and around London, the storm centre of the nation, it might be added the stables belong to one of our well-known London dairies, and to their credit it can be stated the local delivery of milk was made at the usual hour.

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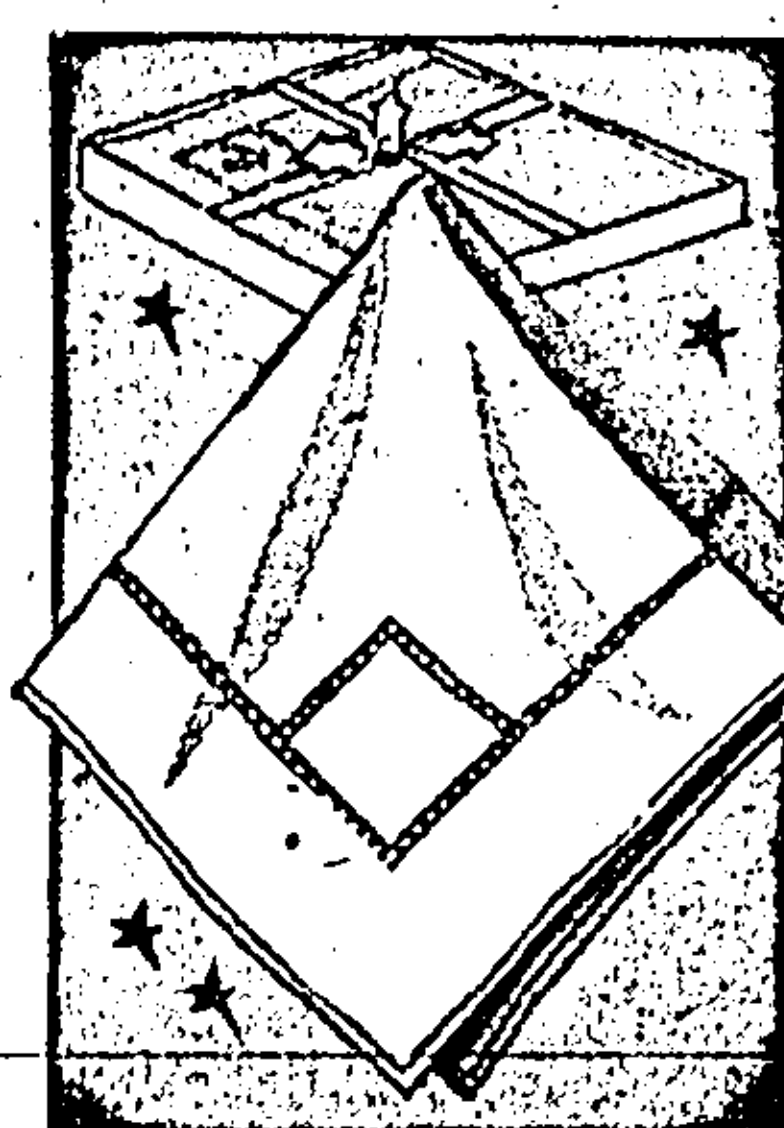


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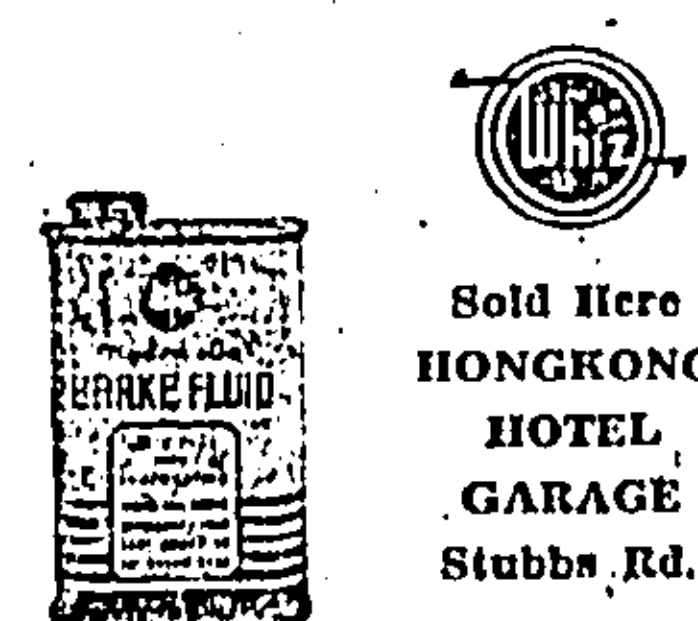
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## OFFENSIVE, AND AFTER

Although Britain has not stated her war aims beyond the self-evident object of self-preservation, the subjugation of Germany's armed forces and the liberation of free peoples which will automatically attend that happening, she has repeated with more and more assurance that she intends to take the offensive by land, sea and air as soon as her supplies are sufficient for that purpose.

It is thought that her weapons may be adequate late next year; certainly they will be of such striking power by then that we shall be able to deal so effectively with the enemy as to make the postponement of an offensive of no vital concern to our own safety.

The co-ordination of our air arm with land and sea forces will have achieved that perfection essential to a successful invasion of the continent by next year while the numbers of our aircraft will be such that diversions can be kept up at different points along the huge coastline now under German domination so as to split the defensive forces. Probably parachute troops landed under the protection of this air force will first secure the safety of a port at which reinforcements can arrive, while the preponderance of our naval strength will assure the retention of this area from sea attack or cover the withdrawal of the troops while another attack is being made elsewhere.

Since aircraft now play such a great part in warfare it will be necessary to devise better protection for the troops from bombing and machine-gunning than exists at present. Nevertheless the best protection against such attack lies in beating the enemy in the air and that is why Britain is placing such emphasis on the need for more and more aeroplanes of all types.

Incidentally it is because Germany herself is convinced that we do intend to take the offensive as soon as we are in a position to do so that the Luftwaffe is trying desperately to stem our production at home while saving its own machines by refraining from daylight raids.

Our unhappy friends in Great Britain are taking terrible punishment and the text will be in their ability to continue to take it—for several more months—without flinching. It would be untimely to go further into the trials that await them while we sit here on the edge of our little volcano without being able to do more than pray for them and to buy them a few aircraft. Neutral observers are still saying that the grit of the civilians in the British Isles has shown itself in the superb and unflinching morale of all.

After the war we shall come to the vexed question of what to do with the Germans. A lot will depend on the reactions of the Germans themselves; whether they feel they have had enough of Hitlerism or whether they still feel an urge to conquer



# CHINA IS ALSO FIGHTING FOR DEMOCRACY

BY her alliance with the Axis Powers Japan has thrown off all pretence of "non-involvement" in the war, and dared the United States to come on in the Pacific. Whatever be the reassurances, the Anti-Comintern Pact has been re-hashed and the Soviet Union placed in a vice with Italy hemming in at the Balkan back-door.

Contrary to Tokio's calculations, American public opinion stiffens up. The joint Pacific defence talk in Washington is being pushed vigorously forward. Failing a climb down there, war on the Chinese mainland will engulf the Pacific. It will be foolish to ignore China as a positive factor in the battles of Asia and the Pacific.

For more than three years the Chinese people have suffered and withstood Japanese onslaught. They have shown their fibre. Twice China's capitals, Nanking and Hankow, have been captured. Yet each time victory eluded Japan and still we want the enemy to fight us. Convinced of the final victory, China's will to resist has immeasurably increased with time.

To-day, the military situation is a stalemate. Japanese forces can neither remain with comfort nor withdraw without loss of face. Increased battering failed to break the deadlock. Japanese peace offers are regarded as thickly sugar-coated cost of living rising and national poison. The puppet Wang debt piling up. The claim of Ching-wei failed to divert the

Chinese people's allegiance to General Chiang Kai-shek. Wang's puppet regime has been specifically set up to make Chinese fight Chinese and pay for the war against themselves, cynically disguised under the "Anti-Red Crusade" and "Reconstruction," and to register the protests of the Powers whenever Japan treads on their corns in China. In fact, there is not the remotest hope of Prince Konoye "breaking China down to her knees."

To-day the Chinese people know what they are fighting for and what the result of their victory will be. Under baptism of fire, they have been rebuilding a new and greater nation; a government of, for and by the people; a national economy that will make China belong not to a mere handful of men, but to the 450,000,000 Chinese.

What are China's war aims? The first is that the people must be united to resist the enemy until victory is won. The united will, energy, ingenuity and sacrifice of China's millions have worked wonders. Military tactics have been effectively adapted to China's strategic geography. Operating from behind the enemy's lines, the war capital, we can choose the grounds on which we want the enemy to fight us. China's size and Japan's economic weakness have been welded into the formula, "buy time with space." Time wears Japan down, but increases China's resources.

Japan is spending at least \$1,000,000 a day. Her economic structure is top-heavy, her gold reserves depleted considerably, cost of living rising and national poison. The puppet Wang debt piling up. The claim of Ching-wei failed to divert the

## Feuchtwanger, Dressed As Woman, Eludes Nazis

Lion Feuchtwanger, the German writer, landed recently in New York from an American ship. He looked pale and tired and had a strange story to tell.

He was in France when the Nazis arrived, was arrested and interned in a concentration camp and was given up for lost. Late in July, Feuchtwanger and 200 other prisoners were taking a bath in a river near Nimes when a car drove up and "an American friend" signalled to him.

Wearing only a pair of swimming trunks, Feuchtwanger jumped into the car and as it drove away changed into women's clothes which the American had brought for him. After hiding in a town in South-East France for six weeks he managed to get aboard ship. He revealed that Heinrich Mann and Franz Werfel have also escaped and are bound for New York. Feuchtwanger's helpers were a number of Americans who have formed a "Scarlet Plumper" style of life-saving chain for assisting political refugees from France.

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A prominent Chinese journalist  
working in London

Imports cripples her industries aggravated by the banning of and will aggravate the situation. petrol and lorries on the Burma Road. How long can she stand this terrible and continuous drain?

In spite of a million and a quarter troops poured into China, Japan actually merely controls strips of land and lines canals, roads and transport of communications, continually harassing by marauding guerillas. They have also shut the claims to have occupied, outer world; the Burma and the Chinese magistrates still hold Indo-China Road. The Russian their court, taxes are collected Road is long and slow. Trans- by Chinese Government officials, port of enormous quantities of and Chinese bank-notes enjoy a Russian supplies are carried by high premium over the Japan-camels and caravans, because, use puppet paper money. so to speak, a 3-ton lorry will To-day, 3,000,000 Chinese consume 1½ tons of petrol regular troops are spread on all each way from point to point, fronts, and 5,000,000 in train-while "camels do not eat oil." ing. Trained and untrained Third war aim: Democracy irregulars and guerillas number, will be the immediate fruit of at a modest estimate, some 25 the Chinese people's war against to 30 millions, filling all crevices aggression and tyranny. During in the country and penetrating war-time, China has established deep behind the Japanese lines. her parliament, the People's What China needs are arms, Political Council, with repre- gands, tanks and planes—quickly sentatives drawn from all the and in plenty. When the ice is provinces, including Manchuria, thick enough to skate, a general Owing to severe bombings of offensive will be called to trap Chungking recently and diffi-

the Japanese forces like a man culties in transport following in a room with fires bursting the closing of the Burma Road out of every corner and the and bannings of petrol and doors bolted. lorries, the People's Congress called for November 12 to adopt the National Constitution has been suspended although pre- paratory work still carries on.

Second war aim: National Reconstruction. Free China, rich in soil and minerals, is being intensively developed to increase her war resources. China will rise, like the phoenix from its ashes, greater and stronger, but not exhausted after the war. The nation is pledged not to repeat the blun- der of the European nations after the last war, emerging from it thoroughly exhausted with tens of millions unem- ployed and unrest seething within their political and economic system.

The people are rising up to the occasion. Great tasks face them. Industries and mines are being opened in Free China. Universities and schools spring up like mushrooms. Students, writers and artists are achiev- ing remarkable results in com- munist imperialism. Anti-war bating illiteracy, doing rural work, A.R.P., recruiting, propa- ganda and keeping up the morale of the people high. Sixty million refugees are being organised into Chinese Indus- trial Co-operative units with production put on a guerilla basis to escape capture.

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### Inspection of Equipment

Police Reserve Orders by the Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue, Acting Commissioner of Police, state:

**Inspection Parade.** All ranks of the Chinese Company will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, December 12, at 5.30 p.m. sharp for a general inspection of equipment etc. by the Company Commander. Dress—uniform, cap with white cover, belt with brace, whistle & chain and truncheon. "Pocket Policeman" and note-book to be carried. The Equipment Officer will make it a point of being present.

**Training Course—Part III.** Those detailed will attend Prince's Building, 1st floor, for instruction in Part III of Training Course under Police Sergeant 1130. Those going on Wednesday, December 11, at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

**Patrol Duty.** Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

#### India Company

**Training Course—Part I.** Those detailed will attend No. 2 Police Station for instruction in Part I of Training Course on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, December 10, 12 and 13, at 5.15 p.m. Dress—Mutt.

**Training Course—Part II.** Those detailed will attend Indian Company Headquarters for instruction in Part II of Training Course under Police Sergeant 1214. Those going on Wednesday, December 11 and 12, at 5.30 and 2.30 p.m. respectively.

**Leave.** Lance Sergeant 1282 Luff Khan has been granted 4 months' leave of absence from the Colony, as from December 4, 1940.

**Patrol Duty.** Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

#### Flying Squad

**Patrol Duty.** Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

#### Emergency Unit Reserve

**Strength.** The following have been taken on the strength of the Emergency Unit Reserve, as from December 5, 1940: Constables 1482 J. F. Muford, 1463 F. A. Mott, 1464 N. M. Tukavkin, 1465 V. A. Rodionoff, and 1466 I. M. de Silva.

**Training Course—Part II.** Those detailed will attend at No. 2 Police Station for instruction in Part II of Training Course under Police Sergeant 1214. Those going on Wednesday, December 11 and 12, at 5.15 p.m.

**Greener Gun Drill.** Squad 10-12 will attend for Greener Gun practice on Wednesday, December 11. Van will leave Queen's Pier at 5 p.m. Dress—optional.

**Squad 4-6** will attend for Greener Gun practice on Sunday, December 16. Van will leave Queen's Pier at 10 a.m. Dress—Blue Uniform.

**Training Course—Part I.** Members who have been detailed will attend for instruction in Part I of Training Course at the Police Training School, Kowloon.

**Patrol Duty.** Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

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## Nazi Freighter Captured

### Scuttling Prevented

Washington, Dec. 9. The Navy Department to-day reported that the British cruiser Diomedes had taken possession of the German freighter Idarwald after the crew had attempted to scuttle the ship.

Commander Thurber said he was unable to say whether the crew was saved, but it was learned from Navy circles that the crew had taken to the lifeboats after firing the ship, apparently when the Diomedes came into sight. British sailors boarded the burning ship and controlled the flames.

It is recalled that the Idarwald and three other German freighters remained at Tampere from the start of the war until November 19, when they tried to make a break. The Phrygia was scuttled outside Tampere when the Germans saw warships they believed to be British, but which, it developed later, were part of an American Navy neutrality patrol. The other ships returned to Tampere, but the Idarwald and Rhein again began a run for home on November 20.

It is indicated that the Idarwald was about 75 miles off Cienfuegos, in Santa Clara Province and almost at the middle of the Cuban southern coastline. The Idarwald passed Puerto Rican Channel late on Saturday night with a warship in pursuit.

**Within Neutrality Zone?** Havana, Cuba, Dec. 9. The Idarwald sent out a radio call at 5.30 a.m. to-day from a position about 75 miles south of Cuba and thus well within the Pan-American neutrality zone. The ship sent out two messages the first stated, "We are being fired on by a British cruiser." The second reported that the ship was sinking and that the crew was taking to the boats.

United Press.



**SEIZED**—Marshal Edward Smigly-Rydz, former chief of vanquished Polish army, arrested in Bucharest, Rumania, in alleged nation-wide espionage and sabotage plots. He joins growing list of Polish refugees seized in German-dominated Rumania.

## Dutch Submarine Reported Lost

### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—The headquarters of the Royal Netherlands Navy announced the loss of an unidentified Netherlands submarine in war operations.

## Free Frenchmen

### LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).

General de Gaulle and several other leading Free Frenchmen have been deprived of French nationality, said a Vichy radio announcement. The others include Admiral Catroux and Colonel de Larminat.

## Italian Armistice Commission

### ROME, Dec. 9 (Reuter).

Camillo Grossi has been appointed President of the Italian Armistice Commission in Syria in succession to General Pietro Pintor who was killed in a plane crash on Sunday, according to an official Italian news agency.

## Plain Policy Of U. S. Towards Vichy Govt.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—The American policy towards France is stated by some well-informed persons to be threefold.

Firstly, to make it widely known that American friendship will be sacrificed in the event of French military co-operation with Germany;

Secondly, to give some tangible evidence of goodwill, for example the distribution of milk to French children and medical supplies for French sick;

Thirdly, to strengthen French Colonies to enable them better to resist Laval's efforts to induce them to join any arrangement to assist Germany.

## Indo-China Thailand

### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

Hanoi, Dec. 9.

Declaring there was little hope of settling the territorial dispute between Thai and Indo-China unless Thai changed her present attitude, Vice-Admiral Jean Decoux, Governor-General of French Indo-China, in a Press interview, asserted, "At present there still are no new grounds for conversations with Thai."

He said France previously offered to establish a neutral commission to settle the dispute between Thai and French Indo-China. However, "Thailand answered with rude radio, press and handbill campaigns."

To that end, he said, Decoux replied that French Indo-China has not received any new demand from Japan regarding South Indo-China. However, he added, "French Indo-China is seeking to increase the trade with Japan as well as the United States."

"Since the arrival of the Japanese, we have positively aimed at maintaining the entire French authority according to treaty and develop friendly dealing with Japan."

The purpose of the economic mission to Tokyo is to develop the two-way trade and simplify formalities in lowering customs duties," Admiral Decoux said.

The Governor-General further pointed out that the United States was nearly the same buyer of Indo-China rubber and wolfram in the last six month period while Japan is the potential source of supply for Indo-China since Indo-China has been cut off from France.

Meanwhile, Admiral Decoux concluded the interview by adding that effective January 1, 1941, certain goods from all countries will be permitted duty free if these countries reciprocate Indo-China's exports.

Domei.

### Bangkok Confident

Chungking, Dec. 9.

Confidence in the recovery of the lost territory from Indo-China in the not distant future was expressed by Luang Bipul Songgram, Prime Minister of Thailand, at a special session of Parliament recently, according to a report from Bangkok.

He reported that there had been repeated provocative actions on the part of French Indo-China recently. He declared that whereas France had occupied Thai territory by force, Thailand was ready to redemarc the border with French Indo-China in a peaceful and friendly spirit.

He regretted that the French government authorities were yet ignoring Thailand's demands.—Central News.

### More Bombs Dropped

Hanoi, Dec. 9.

Thailand planes at 10.40 a.m. dropped seven bombs on Savannakhet, causing material damage but no casualties.

Officials consider the French reprisals do not lessen the possibilities of reaching agreement, pointing out that they will retaliate otherwise the Thais would become too cocky.

United Press.

### Danger of Native Revolt

New York, Dec. 9.

Frederick R. Dolbear, special adviser to the Thai Foreign Ministry, in an interview to-day said that if the threatening situation between Thailand and Indo-China became open war there would be a danger of Japan being the beneficiary. He declared that if Thailand moved against Indo-China the natives might be inspired to revolt against France and in this case there might be a real danger of Japan taking Indo-China on the pretext of restoring order.

United Press.

### STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Dec. 9 (Reuter).

British Banking shares continue quietly to enjoy a revival of interest on the Stock Exchange, but otherwise generally dull conditions prevail with prices of most groups following gill edged securities to slightly lower levels.

Among foreign stocks Greeks and Chinese have hardened, others are firm.

Wall Street was firm.

## Il Duce May Go To Albania

### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Dec. 9 (UP).—It is reliably reported that Signor Mussolini may make an inspection tour of the Albanian front within the next few days.

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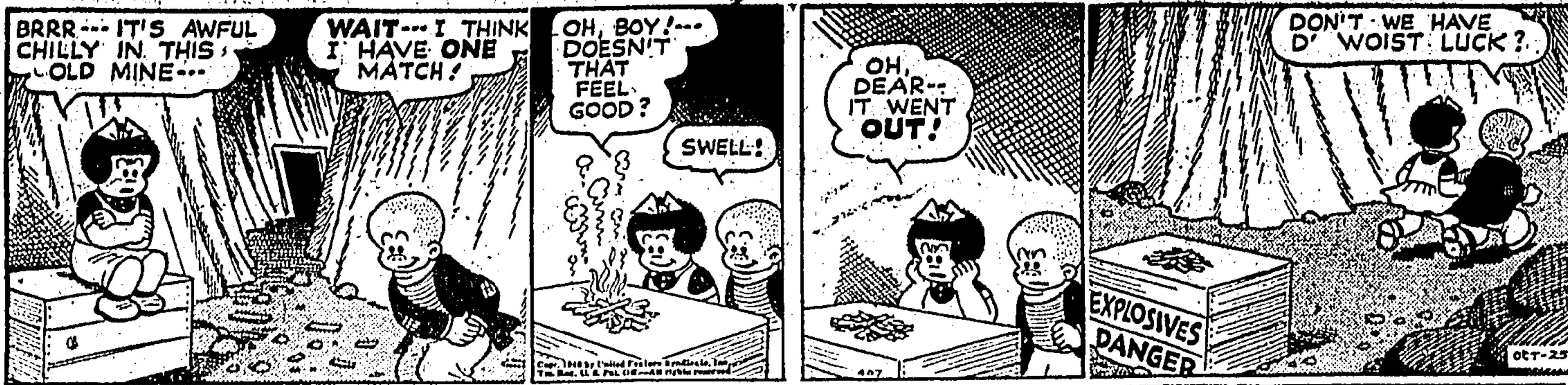
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## Matsuoka Interview On Japan's Policy

—If U.S.A. Fights

TOKYO, Dec. 9.—In his first general interview with foreign correspondents to-day, the Foreign Minister Mr. Matsuoka, said the Axis treaty represented the keystone of Japanese foreign policy, but war against America originating from it could come only in the event of America being adjudged the aggressor in a conflict against Germany.

Informing the American government of any new trend in Japanese policy whereby Japan-American relations could be improved he said Japan's policy remained the same. It revolved around the three-Power pact, the same as it revolved around the Anglo-Japanese alliance when that was effective.

"I hope Admiral Nomura will be enabled to improve relations," he said. "He will do the best he can. My forecast is that we may have differences with America but if either or both of us mind our own business I can't see any serious clash that will lead to a catastrophe or war. I am hoping—even praying—that we can reach a better understanding. I have not despaired of the hope that some day not too far distant we shall see our relations on a sounder basis. That's my hope and in a way my vision too. I don't see anything in the Pacific over which we should fight. If fight it is its' awfully foolish of us both."

**Use Of Singapore**  
Queried concerning American warships using Singapore Mr. Matsuoka said that such an eventuality, even hinted at, would immediately become a serious consideration on the part of Japan. He added that at present he had no such eventuality in mind so he was not thinking about what should be done.

**Not To Exploit**  
"We are not fighting to conquer and exploit China, although I admit it looks like that," he declared. "I say give us time and we'll prove—perhaps 30 or 50 years hence—that we mean the things we are saying."

At the beginning of the interview asked whether Admiral Nomura, Ambassador to Washington, would

China than Japan. He said the recent American assistance to Chungking was very distasteful since it was only prolonging the trouble.—United Press.

### Learning from West

Tokyo, Dec. 9.—"We thank the West for many things which we have imported. However, we regret that we have imported greedy notions too," adding, "Should such Western ideas prevail in this country, Japan would fall in her efforts to construct a new order in East Asia."

Mr. Matsuoka, in enunciating Japan's policy toward the South Sea region asserted, "Japan has not any territorial ambition. Japan is helping her neighbours in greater East Asia so that all peoples in this part of the world would have their own place to determine their own destinies."

Questioned about Japan's object in the South Sea region, especially toward the Netherlands East Indies, Mr. Matsuoka said, "All we want is the establishment of a sound understanding necessary to carry on trade peacefully with the Netherlands East Indies."

Queried about the benefits which the Japanese have derived or would derive from the tri-Power pact among Japan, Germany and Italy, Mr. Matsuoka answered, "Henceforth the tripartite pact will form the keystone of Japan's foreign policy. Internally one of the benefits of the pact is the unification of public opinion in this country, namely to keep the closest co-operation with the Axis Powers. Externally as enunciated by the Prime Minister, Prince Konoye, the three-Power pact is a peace pact intended to prevent a third Power or Powers from joining in the European war or the China Affair. If this object is accomplished, it will bring great benefit not only to Japan but to humanity at large."

Replying to other questions, the Foreign Minister disclosed that Japan believes that a better understanding with the United States could still be reached if both countries keep their head cool and mind their own business; Japan still hopes that peace can be reached with the Chungking regime but that matter will be left to the Nanking Government; Japan will not intervene in the French Indo-China and Thai controversy no matter what happens.—Domei.

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7.15 London Relay—Questions of the Hour.

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8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Albert Sandler's Trio and Orchestra—Faery Song, Le Canari, Albert Sandler Trio; Gipsy, Sing for Me, Heartless, Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

8.15 London Relay—"Gay Deceivers" Comedy.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 London Relay—Talk: "Scots Abroad".

9.45 Grieg—Sonata in C Minor, Op. 45—Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) and Fritz Kreisler (Violin).

10.10 Puccini's "La Boheme" Act I.—Singers in order of appearance: Luigi Marini, Gino Vanelli, Tancredi Pasero, Aristide Baracchi, Salvatore Baccaloni and Rosetta Pampanini and Rosetta Pampanini with Orchestra.

10.45 Orchestral Selections.—Sir Roger De Coverley, Post Horn Galop, New Year's Orchestra—Suite—De Danse—Intermezzo—Valse Melancolique, Otto Dobrindt and Eugen Wolf Orchestras.

11.00 Close Down.

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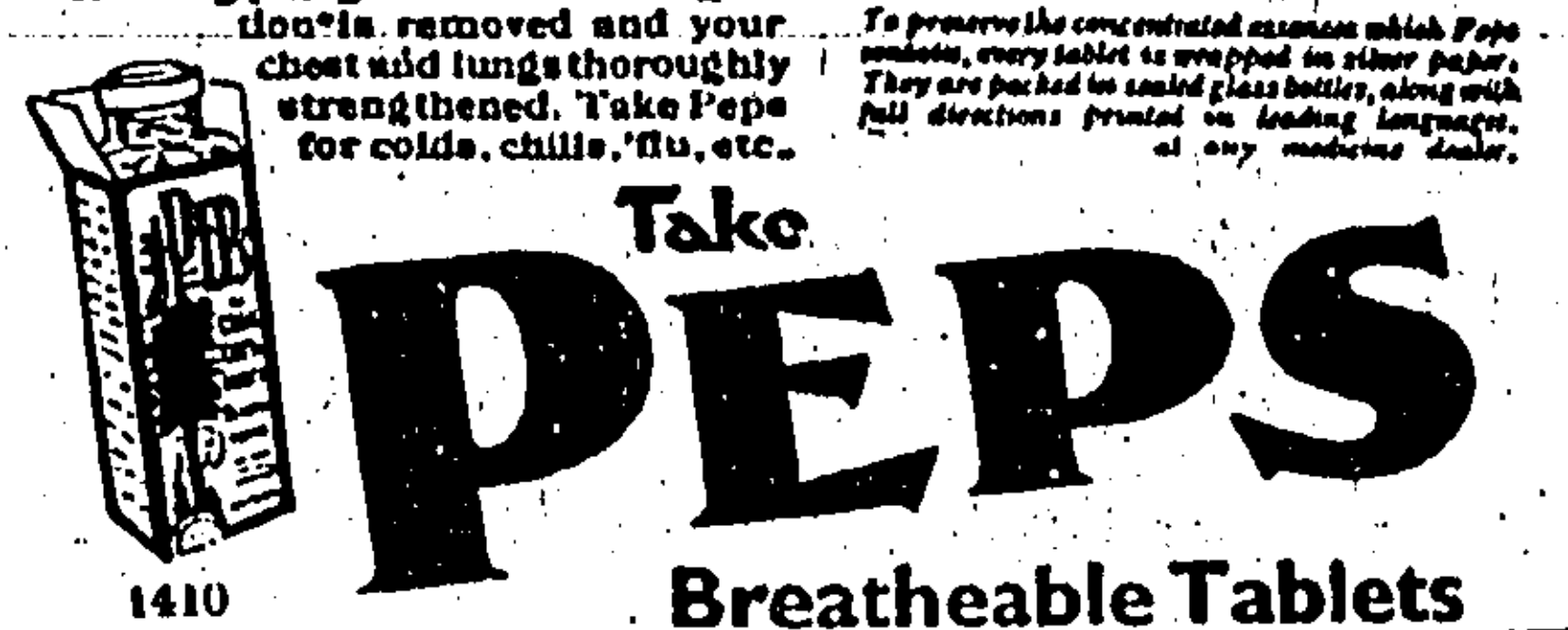
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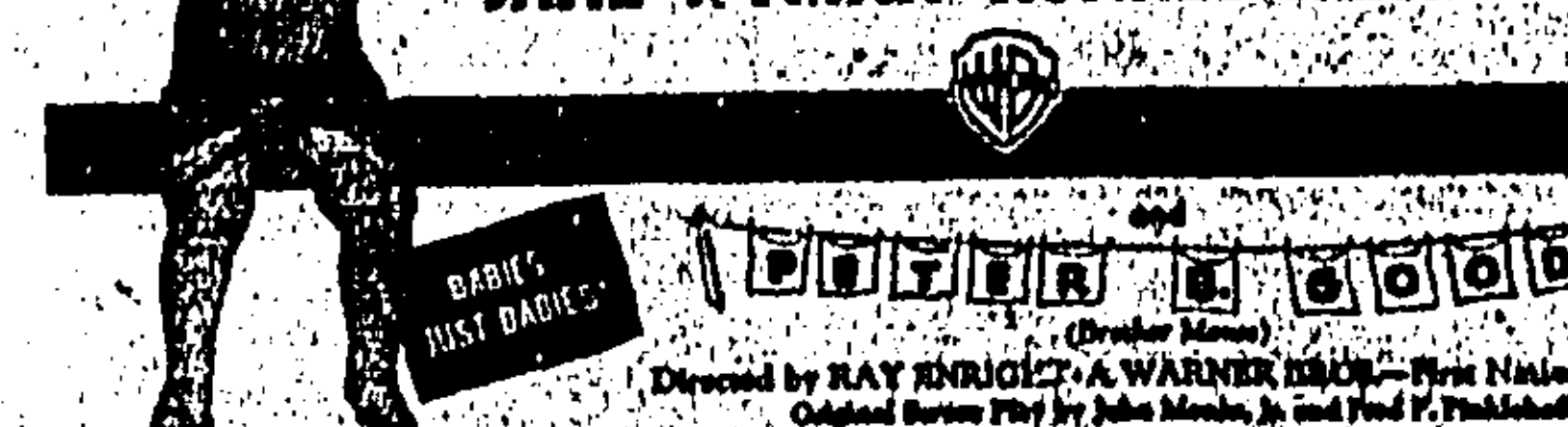
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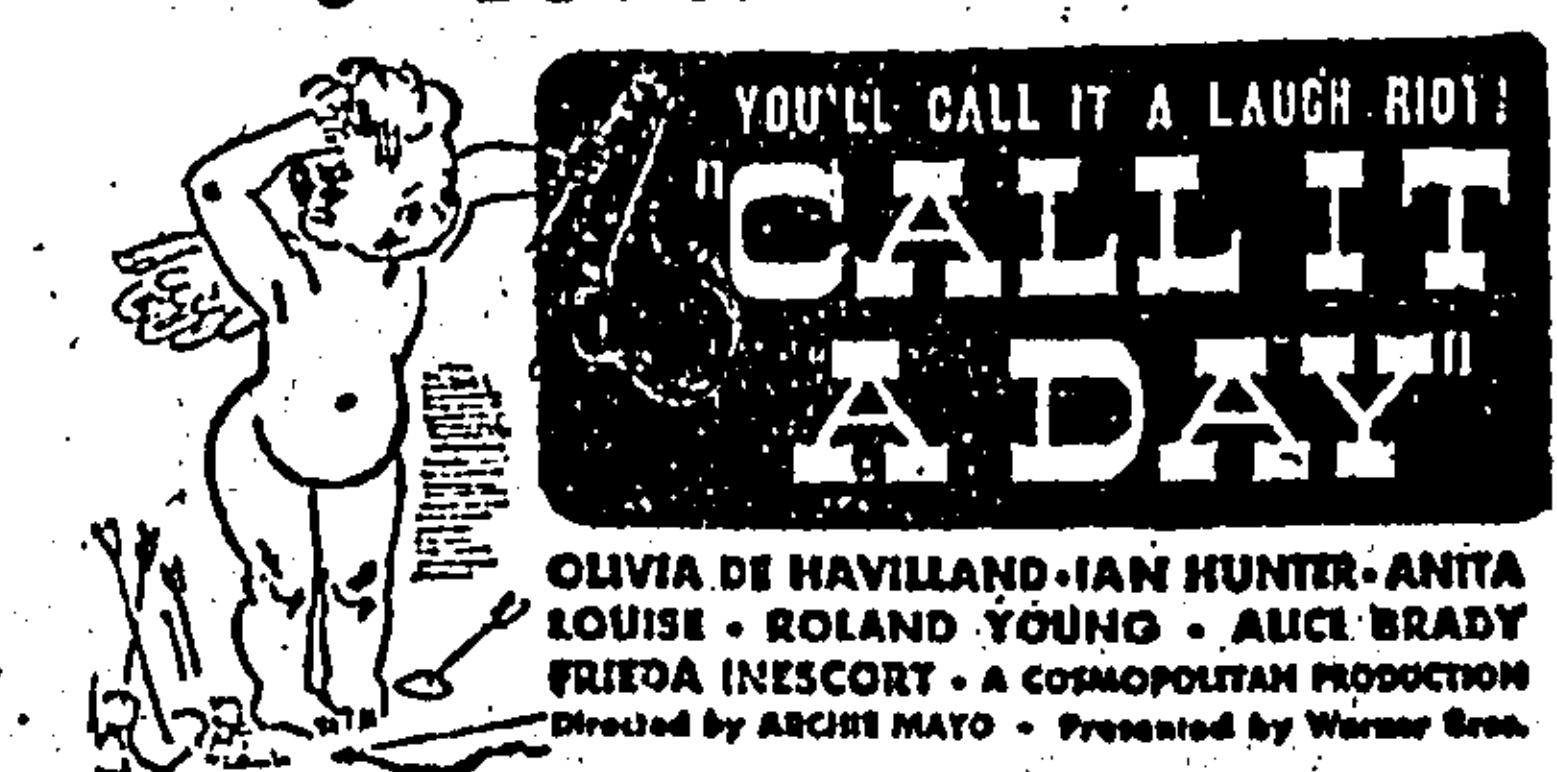


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### 500 ITALIANS CAPTURED

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some 40 miles inside the Egyptian border.

Little can be said at present about the extent to which the operations may develop, but it is known that for the past few weeks the whole of the enemy's forward line has been probed by British armoured units making repeated sorties.

It is reasonable to suppose that if our forward units are able to capture the positions commanding the escape routes they may be able to threaten the body of the Italian army entrenched in the coastal belt.

#### Chosen Moment

Following the Italian debacle in Albania, it is evident that the moment has been well chosen to make Graziani fight.

The operation is still in its initial stage, and it would be premature to discuss the ultimate possibilities of to-day's successful engagement in full.

Nevertheless it is permissible to wonder what will be the effect of an Italian defeat at the present moment in this theatre of Italy's war effort.

### Tientsin Recruits More Volunteers For Army

Tientsin, Dec. 9.—The total number of volunteers for His Majesty's Forces to have left Tientsin is now well on the way to 50, of whom lads from the Tientsin British Municipal Emergency Corps (Volunteer Corps) comprise no less than forty.

The latest batch to proceed for service has now sailed. The three Tientsin young men will join in the ranks of the British Army. They are Messrs. Alan L. Capelick, Denis O'Hara and George Fetherstonhaugh. All of them are members of the Tientsin British Municipal Emergency Corps.

The Tientsin press has announced the engagement of one of the above volunteers—George Fetherstonhaugh, son of the late E. C. Fetherstonhaugh and Mrs. F. Haynes, of Hongkong, and Elaine de Guerin Goodman, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Goodman, of Harbin. Mr. Fetherstonhaugh was connected with the Yee Tsong Tobacco Distributors, Ltd.—Reuter.

### LATE NEWS

### LAVAL LOSING GROUND

Flandin As Nazis' New Favourite

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 9.—News from Vichy suggests that the Vice Premier, M. Laval, has been losing ground lately both with the Germans and Marshal Petain. The Germans feel that he is not making rapid enough progress in his policy of bringing France into line with the Axis or rather the German plans for a new order, since Italy does not appear to have been consulted about this move.

Indeed it is chiefly at Italy's expense that von Ribbentrop is trying to win France over to complete subservience.

#### Nazis Favour Flandin

Probably with a view to bringing extra pressure on Laval the Germans are conniving at bringing about the admission of M. Flandin into the French Cabinet.

It will be recalled that the first time Laval went to Paris he was kept waiting while the German Commissioner Abetz saw Flandin. It will be in keeping with German methods to have another string to their bow in Flandin who would seem to be prepared to outbid Laval for German favours.

Petain seems to be showing some firmness in resisting Laval and for the moment he seems to have checked the trend towards a complete understanding with Germany. His attitude has undoubtedly been strengthened by the growing discontent in unoccupied France as a result of the increasing hardships on the population. There is general penury and distress and the Germans are unable or unwilling to do anything to relieve the situation while the fact that they are holding nearly 2,000,000 French soldiers as hostages is a source of bitter humiliation in a corresponding number of French households.

#### Clever Stroke

It was a clever stroke by Petain to sending Weygand to Morocco to be out of the reach of immediate pressure. It leaves the backdoor open through which is the possibility of ultimate escape.

With Italy's war potential practically paralysed by the hammer blows of Greece backed by the Royal Navy and Royal Air Force, the French armies in Morocco may yet be called upon to play an important part in the restoration of France.

### 800 ALBANIAN REBELS AMBUSH

FROM PAGE ONE

during the withdrawal, which was orderly.

#### High Command Changes

ROME, Dec. 9 (UP).—An extraordinary communique issued to-day declared that the recent changes in the Italian High Command were made for the purpose of speeding up the Italian war machine.

Those who find in the High Command changes any dangerous symptoms, lack of harmony, possible delays and forecast catastrophes are wrong and are committing the same mistakes as were made during the Ethiopian campaign," declared the communique.

#### Reason For Appointment

ROME, Dec. 9 (UP).—Well informed circles consider the new Naval Chief, Admiral Arturo Riccardi, was chosen because of his theories for re-organizing warships and aeroplanes.

**Three Regiments Surrender**  
WITH THE GREEK ARMY, SOUTH ALBANIA, Dec. 9 (UP).—According to official sources, numerous Italian prisoners were taken at Argyro-Castron, including two Alpine Regiments and one Bersagliere regiment, believed to be from the 42nd Ferrara division.

#### 500 More Prisoners

ATHENS, Dec. 9 (UP).—Five hundred more Italian prisoners arrived at Piraeus by sea this morning.

#### German Desires

BELGRADE, Dec. 9 (Reuter).—Germany desires a liquidated Italo-Greek conflict as soon as possible, writes Rome's correspondent to the Yugoslav newspaper "Politika," but he adds that Rome papers continue to insist that the Italians will themselves liquidate the "war against England now being waged on the Greek front."

Another Rome correspondent declares that the "problem of eventual German help did not even come into the question."

### DUSSELDORF'S FACTORIES

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bombs struck around the port military and naval barracks and dry docks.

#### Bordeaux Raid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP).—The Air Ministry reported to-day that many high explosive bombs fell near some docked submarines and lock gates during a two and a half hour raid on Bordeaux last night. "Other heavy bombs fell among some warehouses, railway sidings and jetties with good effect. One of our bombers attacked a nearby aero-engine construction works which was hit and set alight," the report added.

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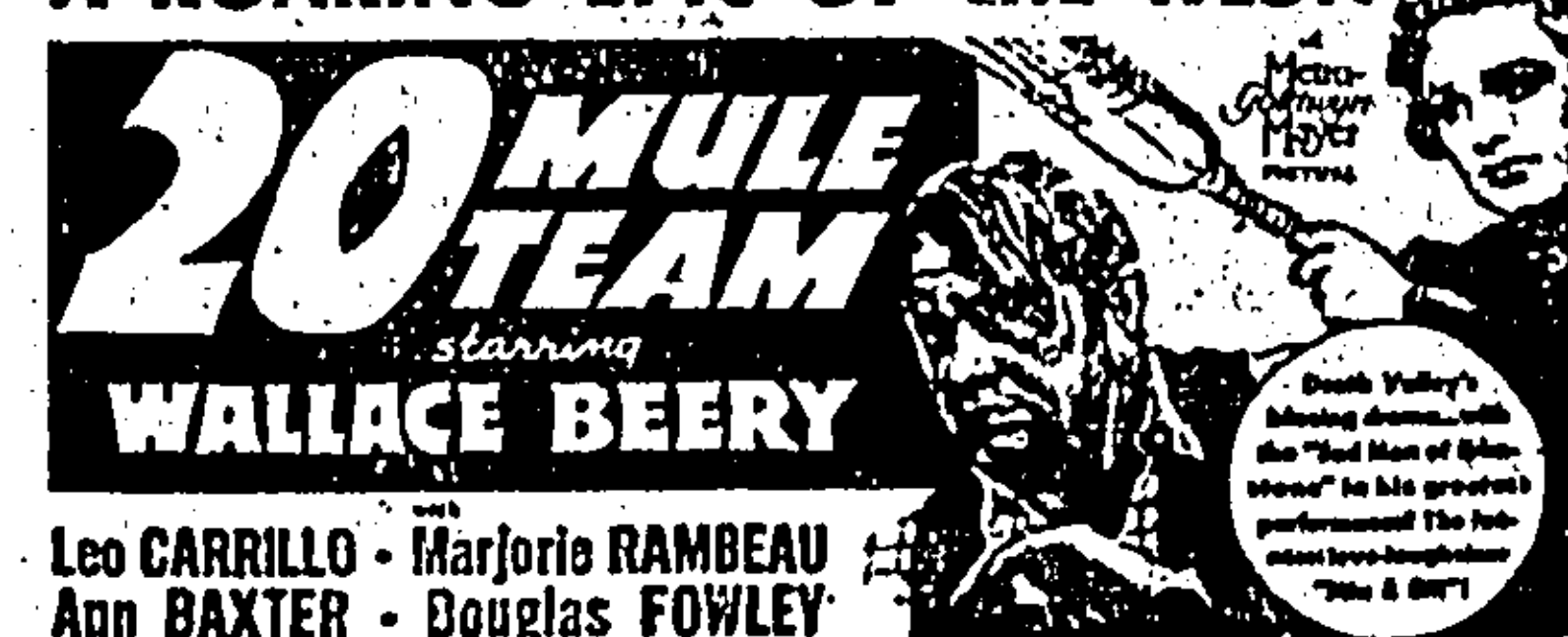
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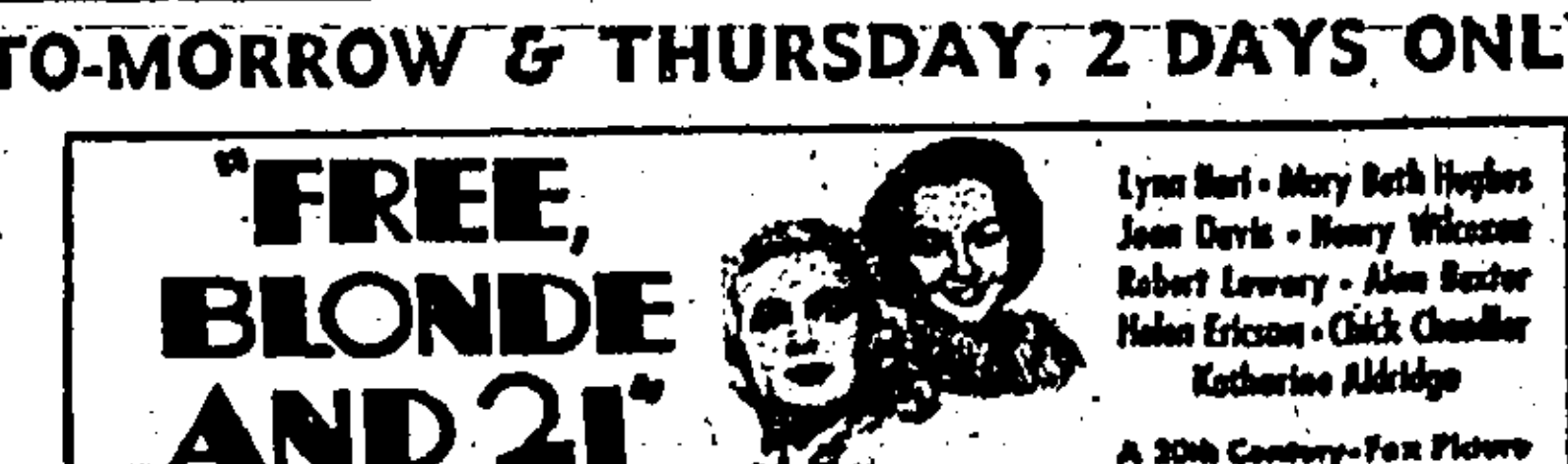
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